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1st March 1929.

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RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

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[From January 5 to December 26.]

——FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1706–07——

The Consultation and Diary [Book] of Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & Pre[sident] &c Council their Proceedings and [Trans]actions in the Affairs of the R^{t}. Honble. United English East India Company in the Presidency of the Coast of Chorom[andell] &c. Begun 5th. January 1706–1707.

Ship Charlton Capt. Ouldam Commander arrived in this [road] from Bengall by whom we received a Generall Letter [to] the Council for the United Affairs there dated 12th December. JANUARY 5TH

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 9TH

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of December Ball^{ce} : Pagod^{s}. 30109 : 11^{fas}.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. as Mintmaster reads his Mint[Acct.] for the month of December and payes into the R^{t}. Honble : United Companys Cash Ninety one Pagod^{s}. 14^{fas} : as Custom on Gold Required and Rupees 856 [pay'd by Warehouse]keeper for Custom on Silver coined.

The Inhabitants payes into the R^{t}. Honble United Companys Cash six hundred seventy six Pagod^{s}. [on Account] of the Black Town Wall and works.

The ffollowing Generall Letters received were all [now] read Viz^{t}.
From the Governour and Council at Anjengo dat^{d}. 4th Decemb^{r}.
From M^{r}. Faucett at Metchlepat^{m} 3 Lres dat^{d}. 3, 10 & 15, Decem^{r}.
From the Deputy Govern^{r} & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dat^{d}. 31st X^{r}.
From M^{r}. Noden at Metchlepatam dated 19th Ditto.
From the Council for the United Affairs in Beng^{ll}. dat^{d} 12th Decem^{r}.

We being apprehensive that it may be late in the year before the Ships arrive from Bengall and believing y^{t} if any ships come here this year it will be this [month] or begining of next, and if so 'twill be difficult to get the Bales from Fort S^{t}. David with any tollerable security so to prevent the foregoing inconveniency, and to inable us to give the Ships a quick dispatch hence, 'tis agreed that a Letter be wrott to Fort S^{t}. David to order them to Load the Bales hither on the Companys Vessell, and if there be more ready then they can take in that then to Load them on the S^{t}. George Friggat, or any good Vessell bound to this Port; but first to get good intelligence from Pollicherry, and accordingly to dispatch them or detain them.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1706–07*——

Here being some Betteelae Weavers who have Petition'd for leave to build Houses and conveniencys in order to carry on their Trade (which Petition is as Entered after this Consultation) but desire to be exempted from all manner of Taxes for three years, which is agreed to be Granted them, and whereas they have bought Mrs. Heathfeilds Garden for that purpose, 'Tis ordered that the Gunner layes out the ground, and sees that they [pay] regularly and that the Secretary accordingly draw them out a Cowle.

This day was delivered in a Petition as Entered after this Consultation for to Farme the Brokerage, the consideration of which deferred to next meeting when the Secretary is to lay before us the former Cowle.

Agreed one Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. [Robert] Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Peter de Pomera &c Arrac Farmers payes into the Honble: United Companys Cash Nine hundred Pagods. [on] that Account.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD: HUNT.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT HONBLE
UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPA
ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL AND
GOVERNR OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCIL.

The Honble Petition of [Naira] Verena
Malley Chittey

Most humbly sheweth

[That] your Petitioners [have] acquainted the Honble Governour of [the Rt. Honble. United East India Comps.] buildings under this Government a new Patty humbly request your Honour &c Cowle to be free of ye Scavengers, Quitt Rent, Town Wall and Talliars Dutys for more then Three years, which will not only be an Encouragement for other Weavers of the Country to come and reside here with your Petitioners under your Honrs &c Protection, but likewise a great step towards the future, fflourishing of their Patta and will also bring in considerable customs to the Rt Honble company when once settled in their business, your Petitioners humbly implore your Honours &c kind complyance with this their request.

And as in Duty bound shall
ever Pray &c.

[TO THE] HONBLE THOMAS PITT ESQR.
[PRESIDENT] AND GOVERNOUR OF
[FORT ST. GEORGE ETC. AND THE WORSHIPLL COUNCILL].

The Humble Petition of Broker Ancana

Most humbly sheweth:—

In Agent Chambers time he granted Brokerage to me, and ordered me Cheif Broker to the Honble Company, half brokerage to the Honble Company and half to

myself, and at that time the Agent and Council gave me an order signed by them that the Choultry Conicoplys should keep the Accounts, and that I should pay half to the Conicoplys, and half myself, and if your Hon^r^ be pleased to enquire of the Choultry Conicoplys they have it in their Accounts, and in the Companys Books, in his Honour Higgins time there were severall brokers, at which we made [our] complaints to him, and carryed our writing to him who kept our Papers and [Accouts] to settle the business, and some time after your arrivall here some people came to your Honour [and] promissed you they would pay so much to the [Hon'ble] Company, and tooke the Brokerage to themselves we did not concern ourselves with it, some time [hence] Dowed Cawn came here those Brokers found it [unproffitable] to them left the Employment, after which [they again] came here; those people who sold the Elephants [payd] Brokerage to the Honble Company and half to [themselves] this day and now there are severall Goods that [lade] to this Port, and severall Merchants that comes [down] out of the Country, and Merchants in Town [w^th^] that Goods, and there are severall Brokers that take [Brokerage] from the buyers, and from the sellers, two ℔ Cent, [one] and one and a halfe ℔ Cent which they receive and [pay] nothing to the Honble Company for this year [. . .] and the Goods that come from [. . .] they have disposed of and taken the Brokerage to themselves and given no Account to the Choultry Conicoplys [nor] have they pay'd every thing to the Honble Company as [Accounts] can prove, there are so many Brokers in Town [who pay] the whole Brokerage to themselves, by that means the [company] has but small Profit, and we have nothing for ourselves and if your Honour will be pleased to grant us to be Brokers as we were formerly your Honour will first [see] what Profit will make the Honble Company in two or [three] months, and if y^r^ Hon^r^ orders no other people make any Brokerage but ourselves we will give an Account of Goods disposed of in Town and the Shiping time [. . .] we hope your Hon^r^ will consider what you will be pleased to Grant us.

And as in duty bound shall ever Pray

AT A CONSULTATION

[TUES]DAY 16TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR &C PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

M^r^. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of December last.

The Inhabitants payes into the R^t^ Honble United Comp^y's^ Cash One Hundred Eighty three Pagod^s^. in part of the last Assessment towards building the Black Town Wall and Works.

M^r^. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of December last Viz^t^.

Custom of Goods Imported & Exported P. 1347 : 23 : 8.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1706-07*——

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of December last Vizt.

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Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of December last Vizt.—

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Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeeprs. Account for the month of December last.

Agreed one Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Rawworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison. Mr. John Landon Minister of Fort St. David coming hither by our leave, since which finding absolutely necessary for him to go to Battavia to looke after his deceased Brothers concerns has desired leave to quitt the service and to order him [his] due which being one quarter to the 25th December last, Agreed the same be pay'd.

We having some years agoe Established [some per]sons Jointly to be Town Broker, who by their [dissensions] and disputes amongst them brought that [trade] to no effect, and there being some Persons now Petition to be Town Brokers and from the[m] we hear of the private Brokers, we think [......] to Establish some by the Government to [maintain] the reputation of the Place as well as the [prestige] of the Company, 'Tis therefore agreed that [arrangement] be made by the approbation of the Governour [&ca.] Council to act separately and not Jointly of them to ware [uniforms] with Armes [which] they are to pay for, that they pay and give in a monthly Account [into] the Choultry of what they collect a moiety of which belongs to the Company, which the Land Customer is to incert in this monthly Account, and accordingly the Secretary to draw out a Cowle for Ancana as one of them.

The Governour representing that he has been for some time jealouse that Naira Verona who has been Rubie Broker for many years has not of late payd the Company their full moiety of the Revenue, besides [he] being [in distressed] circumstances and very necessitous, 'tis not fitt be should be longer trusted with it, and as 'tis necessary he that succeeds in it should understand Rubys, 'tis Agreed that Veroba the Brother of he that's now turned out shall be the Broaker, who wares a fair Character, and is in good circumstance; And that the Secretary next Consultation lays before us the Cowle formerly Granted to Verona when we shall give orders for a new one to be drawn.

Agreed that Twenty two thousand Pagods. be pay'd ye Merchants in part of what Calicoes they have brought.

Agreed Four hundred Pagods. be advanced the Dyers towards dyeing Comps Callicoes.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1706-07—

M^{r}. Matthew Empson payes into Cash One Thousand Pagod^{s}. Acco^{t}. Sea Custom in his time.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}: RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

Ship Tankerwill Capt. Newman Comand^{r}. arrived in this Road from Vizagapatam and Bengall by which received the following Packets Viz^{t}. 16TH

From the Honble. Mannagers ℔ Ship Hallifax Duplicate of the Packet ℔ this Ship

ffrom the Council for the United Affairs in Bengall dated 26th. December 1706.

ffrom the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated 11th. Instant with copy of their last Bookes, Diary of Consultation to the Ultimo December with the Factory Expences to that time.

Ship Maddapollam belonging to Moor Merchant arrived in this Road from Bengall.

The following Paper was signed by the Govern^{r}. and Council by Ship Tankervill arriving this day from Vizagapatam and Bengall from the former [she] has brought [two] hundred twenty three Bales and from the latter Charterparty allowance of Petre and Redwood three hundred Bales all which to be continued on except the Browne Goods from Vizagapatam the Warehousekeeper is ordered to unload and [to give for] washing.

THOMAS PITT.
WILLIAM FRASER.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOM^{s}. FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Rec^{d}. ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the D^{y}. Govr. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 16th. 19TH

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 20TH

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{r}. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

The following Generall Letters received were now read Viz^{t}.

ffrom the Council for the United Affairs in Bengall dat^{d} 20th X^{r}.

ffrom the Deputy Govern^{r} and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 14th January 1706.

ffrom the Chief and Council of Vizagapat^{m}. dated 11th Instant advising of their having drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for Pag^{s}. 500 and Rupees 745 agreed. Agreed the same be pay'd.

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Agred that the Bill of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David for 123 Pags payble to Mr. Landon be pay'd.

Agreed to remitt to Fort St. David by Bill of Exchange Five Thousand Pagodas.

Ponagetto Narso &c Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers pay's into the Rt. Honble United Companys Cash Five hundred Eighty three Pagods 12fa on that Account.—

Agreed that Five hundred ' Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Agreed that the Warehousekeeper loads Bales on board the Tankervill and that the President [&] he makes the sortment.

Agreed that we write to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David to secure to ye. southward Two hundred Garce of Paddy for the Stores of this Place being apprehensive from the few Boats that arrives from the Northward and the little raine that [has] been Inland [last] season that Grame must be [. . .] the latter end of the year.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M. EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

26TH Ship Loyall Merchant Capt. Shepperd Comander [arrived] in this Road from Bengall by whom received a Packet from the Council for the Unit'd Affairs there dated 31st past month.

21ST Dispatch'd Pattamars a Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated this day.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 21ST

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATT. EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

Generall Letter of the Council for the United Affairs in Bengall dated 31st [past] month now read.

Ordered that Warehousekeeper continues on board the Loyall Merchant her Redwood, and three thousand Baggs of Salt [Petre] bringing ashore the rest of her Cargo and to Load on her what Bales in the Godown.

The Inhabitants payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Three hundred thirty five Pagodas & a half Account of the Black Town Wall and works.

There being two Prisoners upon the Choultry who were apprehended some time agoe for breaking open Warehouses and stealing Goods in the English Town, so to deterr others from doing the like, 'tis agreed that they are Shipt on board the Charlton to be put ashore at Bencoolen and there to remain the Companys Slaves.

Ensign Summervill delivers in a Petition as Entd. after this Consultation. Agreed that we write to the West Coast that if there be any thing more of Mr. Eatons Estate pay'd into the Companys Cash there, they [remitt] it by Bill on the President &ca Council here who will pay it to such that have a right to it.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1706-07*——

Ordered that Fifty Chests and Tubbs of China W[are] be Loaded on Ship Tankervill, and that the old Company have leave to Load as many on the Loyall Mercht.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS PITT ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT.

ST. GEORGE &c COUNCIL.

The Humble. Petition of Robert Somerviles.

Humbly Sheweth.

That whereas I am Credibly [informed that] there is in the Rt Honble United Companys Cash at B [. . . .] about seventeen hundred Dollars more then wha[t] have already drawn from your Honr. &c [belonging. to] the deceased Mr. Eyton (who's Widdow I have [marryed] I humbly pray you'd be pleased to recommend [to] the Cheif and Council there, and if the aforementioned sum be found due permitt them to draw [Bills on] this Presidency [. . .] and your Petitioner as [in duty bound] shall ever Pray.

Ship Sedgwick Capt. [Cadd]ock Commander arrived in the road from Malacca. 25

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 27TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

The following Generall Letters received were all now read Vizt.

From Mr. Faucett at Metchlepatam dated 11th Instant.

From the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated 24th Instant.

From the Governour and Council of York Fort d[ated] 4th November which advices the drawing on us Bills a[mounts.] to Twenty three thousand nine hundred thirty eight [Dollars] 3 succaes, or otherwayes they had not been able to procure any Pepper, or carry on their Fortifications, for that they had had no supply for 16 months past but [only] from this Place, so considering the necessity they are under and that the Company has not prohibited our accepting their Bills in their last Letter 'Tis Agreed that the Bills are now accepted, or we are of opinion that settlement must be ruined.

We being advised from Fort St. David that a French Sloop lyes in Pollicherry Road with Souldiers, Amunition and Provissions on board her, which makes us jealous that [they have] a design upon our Vessells [yt] are coming Laden with

Bales from Fort St. David, to prevent any misfortune of that nature that we [as soon] as possible despatch the Sedgwick thither with 9 Souldiers [to returne] Loaden with Bales, in Company with the other two Vessells that are there.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

28 Ship Dorothy Capt. Ford Commander arrived in [this] Road from Pegue.

" Ketch Hope arrived in this Road from Vizagapatam.

29 Ship Samuell arrived in this Road from Vizagapatam by whom received a Generall Letter from the Cheif & Council there dated 20th Instant.

Ship Nos [Seniorade Persia] Capt. Manuel Rodr[igues] arrived in this Road from Mocho.

29 Received ℘ Pattamar [a] Generall Letter from Mr. Willm. Proby &c Council [at Sur]att dated 20th November 1706.

Ship Charlton Capt. Gostlin Comandr. sailed out of this road for the West Coast, Battavia, and Borneo.

Ship Sedgwick sail'd for Fort St. David.

[FEBRU]-ARY PRMO. Sloop Callicutt Richard Collens Master arrived in this Road from Negraes who gives the following Accompt, that being bound on a Voyage from Bengall to Atcheen in his passage off Negraes came up with him a Pyratt Briggantine man'd with about Fifty Europeans 16 Guns Comanded by one Jones who came first from New England, but touched at Madagascar where she made up her Crew, they afterwards tooke another small Vessell one Buckly Comandr. bound from Bengall on the same Voyage, he stay'd with them about four months, they not permitting him to come away sooner in which time they quarrell'd amongst themselves, and by consent parted, half their Crew keeping to their own Vessell, the other to the Bengall Vessell the former is gone to the Streights of Malacca to lye for the China Ships, and a Manilha ship belonging to Armenians, the other designed to fit at Negraes, and from thence to Madagascar, this being the same Vessell who chased the Dutch Ship from the mouth of the Red Sea to Cutcheen they tooke every thing from Collins [except] a little Rice.

Received ℘ Pattamar the following Generall Letter.

From the Generall [&ca] Council of Bombay datd 5th [. . .] the 6 men saved out of [*one line lost*].

From the Governr. and Council of Anjengo datd 11 [. . .]

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 3RD.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the HonD United Companys Cash for the month of January Ballance Pags. [. . .] 5: 3.

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The Inhabitants payes into Cash Seven hundred Pagod^{s}. 26^{fa}, Acco^{t} of the Black Town Wall & works.

M^{r}. Hunt produces the Generall Bookes Posted ultimo December last.

Generall Letter from Surat dat^{d}. 26th Novembe^{r} now [read].

From the Chief and Council of Vizagapat^{m}, dat^{d} 20 Jan.

Generall Letter to the Honble Mañagers dat^{d} 29th past month now read and approved.

Ordered that James How be Entertained one of the Gunner Crew in this Garrison.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO. FREDERICK.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.

Sloop arrived from the West Coast, by whom received a Generall Letter from the Governour and Council there. 3.

About Ten a clock night heard out of the road two great Guns fired which the Fort answered with one, supposing a ship had fallen in with the Land and wanted to know what Port was near her, and this morning it proved a Ship from Syam and a Briggantine from Mocho. 4.

Ship Maddapollam sailed for Nagoor.

Ship Blessing arrived in ye road from S^{t}. Thome.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 12TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{r}. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATT. EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Acco^{t} for the month of January last and payes into the R^{t} Honble United Company Cash One hundred thirty three Pagod^{s}. 12-40 (fa cs) Acc^{t} Custome on Gold coined, and further payes to the Warehouse-keeper Rup^{s}. 1,061 : ans. 8.

Capt. Shepperd Comand^{r}. of Ship Loyall Merchant payes into the R^{t} Honble United Companys Cash Sixty eight Pagod^{s}. Acco^{t} Pylotage said Ship to China.

The Commatees payes into the R^{t} Honble United Comp^{s} Cash Two hundred Pagod^{s}. for one years Rent.

Inhabitants payes into the R^{t} Honble United Comp^{s} : Cash three hundred Sixty Seven Pagod^{s}. 30 (fs) on [acc^{t}.] of the Tax for the Black Town Wall and works.

The Vessells being not yet arrived from Fort S^{t}. David with Bales and the Tankervill wanting not [. . .] thirty Bales to be Laden, ' Tis agreed that where [there] is a Rich Ship, having considerable of Bengall [Goods] on board her that she be forthwith despatch'd to [. . . .] indangering the loosing her Passage, and the Loyall Merchant to follow to her as soon as the Vessels come with the Goods.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1706-07——

Ordered that henceforth be kept a Register at the Sea Gate of all Goods imported and exported the Company not excepted.

Capt. Sheppard Comandr. of Ship Loyall Merchant this day deliver in a Petition as Entered after [this] Consultation for the Loan of Two hundred and [. . .] Pagods. upon the same termes as what already payed on Charterparty Account. Agreed the same be payed him he giving the Receipts for the same.

Addition to the Generall Letter to the Rt Honble Mañagers now read, as also a Generall Lettr. from Fort St. David [with] a flying Seal to the Compy.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
WIL: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

10. Ship Hannover [Capt. Thomas] Edwards Comr. arrived in this Road from Canton in China.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

[THURS]-DAY 14th.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER,	MATT. EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

This day Capt. Shepherd delivered in a Protest declaring that he would saile on the 17th Instant, which is as Entered after this Consultation, and copy of it to be sent the Company.

We not [. . .] vessells that saild on the 4th Instant from Fort St. David with Bal[es . . .] it being late in the year whereby the Loyall Merchant will be in danger of loosing of all Cloth [. . .] Godowns [. . . . . .] and [. . .] hands, and what want in Cloth to fill her up with China ware or thing procureable that [. . .] Europe.

The New Companys Metchlepatam Merchant delivered in [to] day a Petition as Entered after Consultation Copy of which to be remitted the [. . .] by these Ships.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICHD. HUNT.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1706–07*——

To the Honble. Thomas Pitt Esqr.
President for Affairs of the R^t.
Honble. United English East India.
Company on the Coast of Choromandell,
and Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George etc., Council.

The Hum^ble Petition [of the Merchants of]
Metchlep^m & Maddap^m.

Most humbly sheweth.

That as soon as [. . .] had [. . .] their Contract [. . .] Council for the Ballance whereof they had security Bonds given 'em, they Entered upon another of [. . .] Pagod^s. and provided the Goods accordingly, having but one quarter of the money pay'd them in advance the President alledging the Company to be out of [Stock] that he daily expected the China Ship with a considerable supply, which as soon as should arrive he promissed faithfully to clear all Aco^t. with them, and to the rest of the [. . .] provided Goods off of their hands. The President soon after dyed, and the China Ship arrived, who instead of considerable supply brought but a very small one, which M^r. Tillar payd your Petitioners who again intreated him to take off of 'em the rest of the Goods which he refused then to doe but gave his word [he] would on the arrivall of the first Europe Shipping, and some time after acquainted 'em of the Union of both Companys and of the arrivall of some of their Ships at Chinapatam, whither he say'd he must be obliged to goe for to get money wherewith all to clear your Petitioners Debts, This was not a little surprising to your Petitioners more especially upon their hearing of his design [homes] from this Place, [W^ch. . .] endeavouring, [. . .] shore by applying themselves, [. . .] which was not harkend, [. . .] as expected, in regard he, [. . .] home without the consent or [. . .] Petitioners, who would not [. . .] the Payment of the whole [. . .] that he did pay.

Your Petitioners ever held an honourable [position] for the Company, and have now been here two years at vast Charge and expences, whereas had they remained at Metchlepatam and secured M^r. Tillard from stealing away they could without halfe the difficulty and trouble they have all this time been procured their money, or satisfaction for it, which your Hon^r. &c. would have been compelled to have given 'em Messrs. Fraser and Wright were by and from the Company appointed to go to Metchlepatam and there to settle all Accounts, and matters [connected with] their Debts, and to bring away with them M^r. Tillard, but this they deferred doing till the arrival of the Europe ships when they bid your Petitioners to apply themselves to M^r. Raworth, which was [done] and there they mett for answere that he had no [manner] of orders from the Company to meddle w^th [private] affairs, all these frivolous excuses your Petitioner[s] before your Honour &ca. where instead of finding hopes of redress mett with a quite contrary [replye] was that as your Honour &c. never acted any [more] for the New Company, and was never [entrusted with the management] of their Affairs or with their Cash, that you [were] answerable for their Debts, and had nothing [to] concerne yourselves with their business, but [w^th] your Hon^r. &c your Petitioners hold that [any] of one Nations and the Companys United [servants] into these parts are obliged to [have] Debts pay'd, and if so [. . .] that your Petitioners cannot meet [with] satisfaction of them, they know to whom to apply themselves for it, and do not in the least scruple (if they are forced to take those methods) but that they shall soon have it, which they will deferr doing till the arrivall of the next shiping, your Petitioners have already complain'd of the Injustices done them by your Nation, to the Dutch French and Danes Government who must needs take notice of it, your Honour &c. cannot have so soon forgot how the King compelled your people at Suratt to make restoration for the Pyracys, and

injustices committed by them in those parts, and consequently must be sensible of the troubles you are like to bring upon yourselves, and y^r Affairs if you oblige you Petitioners to have such recourse, which they must doe if not suddenly prevented, and doubt not but that the King will do us justice in every respect and force you to pay us our due, with the utmost Interest due therein, it being such an honourable Debt, and the reasons your Petitioners have bore with these hardships so long is for the esteem they always had for the Honble. Company, and their service.

To this day lyes upon your Petitioners hands ¾ Gold [. . .] [illegible]0,000 Pagod^s. Contract, for the damage of which they expect to be satisfyed, as also the charges and the Expences they have been at these two yeares besides a consideration for the loss of their time all which your Petitioners humbly request that your Honour &c. will be pleased to take into your serious consideration which otherwayes [may] be of very ill consequence, yet nevertheless shall [be] for the best.

And as in duty bound shall ever pray.

To the Honble Thomas Pitt Esqr.
President for Affairs of the R^t.
Honble United English East India
Comp^a. on the Coast of Choromandell
and Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George &c. Council.

Honble s^r &^ca.

Whereas the time limited by Charter [party] of Ship Loyall Merchant is for some months expired and the Monsoon for her departure for England, [is] almost over and upon her longer stay here, there will be great Risgoe of her getting her passage about Cape for these reasons J. Robert Sheppard Comd^r: of the Ship Loyall Merchant doe declare to your Hon^r. &c. that by the help of God I will weigh Anchor, sett saile for England on Monday next being [the] 17th Instant February, and am ready to take in Goods as your Hon^r &ca shall send on board the s^d Ship within the said limited time, and in case y^r Hon^r &ca do not put on board said Ship her full Lading according to Charterparty by the said 17th Instant [I.,J.] Robert Sheppard do in behalfe of the Owners of [the] Loyall Merchant declare and protest that said owners are not lyable for any dammage that shall accrue by reason of the said Ship wanting [in] Freight [I am] Hon^r. S^r.

Yo^r most ob^t. [Servant].
[J. Robert Sheppard]

Dated in Fort S^t. George
13th February 170$\frac{6}{7}$.

15. Ship Tankervill this morning fired a Gun and spread her Colour to signifie she was full.

16. Ship Loyall Merchant fired a Gun and spread her Colours to signifie she was full.

" Ship Dolben arrived in this Road from Pegue.

" The Maddapollam Yatch arrived in this Road from Fort S^t. David with Bales.

17. Last night the Comanders of Ships Tankervill & Loyall Merchant went off, and this morning early they sailed.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1706-07*—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. SUNDAY 16TH.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The S[t]. George and Sedgwick arriving here the 14th in the evening with the Bales from Fort S[t]. David, the Warehousekeeper was immediately ordered to traverse as many on board the Loyall Merchant as will fill her up and the morning Cap[t]. Sheppard fired a Gun & spread his Colours to signifie he was full Laden, upon which the Council was summoned, when the Generall Letter was signed [by the] Comanders Dispatch, and he ordered to goe off [. . .].

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.
RICH[D]. HUNT.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[r]. GOVERN[r]. & PRESIDENT. FRIDAY 21st
WILLIAM FRASER. MATT. EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Inhabitants pay's into the R[t]. Hon[ble]. United Companys Cash Two hundred Ninety six Pagod[s]. Account of the Black Town Wall and works.

The following Generall Letters sent dated yesterday were all now read Viz[t].

To the Deputy Govern[r]. & at Fort S[t]. David.

To the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam.

To M[r]. Faucett at Metchlepatam.

To M[r]. Noden at Metchlepatam.

The Ship Richmond being going to the West Coast Owners of which offering to carry two hundred bags of Salt Peter at one Rupee ℔ bagg. 'Tis ordered that Warehousekeeper loads the same, and that We [advise] to the West Coast to pay the freight there.

The Chief and Council of Vizagapatam having [. . .] some Powder Lead & Stores, ordered that the [same be] Loaded on the [S]amuel according to List deliverd [by the] Storekeeper.

Agreed that we remitt to Vizagapatam by [a Bill] of Exchange Pagod[s]. 1763 : 1 : 5.—

Agreed that the Yatch be forthwith [dispatched] to Fort S[t]. David with what stores remains.

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Agreed that all Petitions delivered the Governor about collecting the money for the Town Wall be referred to Messrs. Raworth and Hunt, and they to report the same after examination to the Govern^{r}. and Council.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.
RICH^{D}. HUNT.

23. The Tibby Ketch arrived in this Road from Trincom^{r}.

25. Ship Samuel saild out of this Road for Vizagapat^{m}. by whom sent a Packet for the Chief and Council of that Place.

27. The Maddapollam Yatch sailed out of this Road for Fort S^{t}. David, by whom sent a Packet for the Deputy Governour and Council of that Place.—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 27th

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{r}. GOVERN^{r}. AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER. ROBERT RAWORTH.
MATTHEW EMPSON. THOMAS FREDERICK.
WILLIAM MARTIN. RICHARD HUNT.

Inhabitants payes into the R^{t}. Honble. Companys Cash Two hundred Eighty two Pagod^{s}. Acco^{t}. of the last assessment for the Black Town Wall and works.—

M^{r}. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of January last.

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported	P.	859 : 21.
Custom on Graine		1,005 : 10.
Anchorage		23 : 18.
Pag^{s}. ...		1888 : [39]

M^{r}. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Accounts for the month of January [last.]

M^{r}. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of January last.—

The Governour lays before the Council the [Impudent] action of Capt. [Crawford] who [on] Sunday last ma[rched . .] part of his Company (and had all had not yet . .] Commanded them off) over the Companys Cali[coes] that lay a drying notwithstanding there [. . . . . .] more then [. .] enough to have ma[rched .] clear of them as usuall, and afterwards when the Govr. sent for him to demand his reason for doing so base an Action he had the impudence to tell him he did not understand it, upon which when he came for the word in the evening the Governour told him that he was suspended till he had advised with the Council for that he thought him not fitting to serve the Comp^{a}. any longer, nor would he bear any more with his insolencys. 'Tis agreed that he stands suspended, and the consideration of breaking him deferred to another meeting.

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There being a considerable parcell of Timber come from Pegue on the Ship Dolben 'Tis Agreed that ye Storekeep^{r}. buys sufficient to supply the Comp^{as} occasions here and at Fort S^{t}. David.

The old Comp^{a}. having some Guilded Armes y^{t} remaine of their stores for sale, & fit for Presents, 'Tis Agreed ye United Company takes them at a moderate value.

M^{r}. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of January last Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	Pag^{s}.	1282 : 6 : —
Charges Dyett and allowances		265 : 5 : —
Stores		150 : 26 : —
[. . .]		40 : 13 : —
[. . .]		6 : 2 : —
Fort S^{t}. David		10 : 4 : —
Charges Generall		274 : 18 : —
Fortifications and repairs		36 : 29 : —
	Pag^{s} ...	2065 : 31 : —

as also his Acco^{t}. of [Black] Town Wall and works, Agreed [. . .] advanced him.

Agreed to [sell] what Rupees there is in the Warehouse at three hundred thirty six for One hundred Pagodas.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^{T} : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship Pearle arrived in this Road from Vizagapatam. MARCH P^{mo}.

Ketch Hope sailed out of this Road for Ditto. 4

Ship Mahomudee arrived in this Road from Pegue. 9

Sloop Callicutta, Richard Collins Master sailed out of this Road for Bengall by whom sent a Packet to [the] Council for the United Affairs there.— 11

Tibby Ketch sailed out of this Road for Bengall.

Ship Hopewell Capt Adams Comand^{r}. arrived in y^{s}. Road from Bengall by whom we received a Packet from the United Council there. — 12

Ship Elephant belonging to the Danes arrived in this Road from Trincombar.

Sloop belonging to the Danes arrived in this Road from Trincombar.

Ship [. . .] Cawn Noquedah arrived in this Road from [. . . .] 13

Ship Triblicane arrived in this Road from Pegue. —

Ship Moosack arrived in this Road from Atcheen Coja Arratoone Noquedah.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERN^{R}. & PRESIDENT. FRIDAY 14TH.

WILLIAM FRASER. MATT. EMPSON.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.

THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Peter de Pomera &c. Arrack Farmer payes into the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash Five hundred Pagodas on that Account.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1706–07——

Ponagetto Narso &c Tobacco and Beetle ffarmers &c payes into the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash Five hundred eighty three Pagod^{s}. 12 fan^{s}.

The Inhabitants payes into the R^{t}. Honble. United Companys Cash Four hundred twenty two Pagodas 18 ^{fa} for the last assestment of the Black Town Wall & works.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Acco^{t}. of the R^{t}. Honble. Comp^{as}: Cash for the moth: of Feb^{ry}. Ball^{c}. Pa. 1583 : 1 : 4.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Acco^{t}. for February last and payes into the R^{t}. Honble. Companys Cash Four hundred forty Nine Pag^{s}. 18^{fa} for Custom on Gold, and farther payes to the Warehousekeep^{r} Rs. 372 : 12ans. Ballance of the Mint Account.

There being a parcell of Looking Glasses & Telliscopes sent out last year by the Company, which will spoile by lyeing, [. . the . . .] Warehousekeeper sells the same on Friday the 21st Instant at Public cry at the Sea Gate.

M^{r}. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom [acct] for the month of February last V[iz^{t}.]

Choultry Custom	Pag^{s}. 131 : 3 : 55.
Ruby Broakers	62 : 8 : 30.
Town Broakers	3 : 9 : 56.
Registring Slaves	1 : 20 : —.
	Pag . 191 : 5 : 61

The West Coast Bills Amounting to Pagod^{s}. 14081·22 having been due some time, 'tis agreed that the same be pay'd, and in order thereto that Ten thousand Pagodas be taken up as Interest at Nine ℘ Cent to be pay'd when demand'd, giving one months notice on either side for the receipt or payment thereof.

Accomp^{t}. reads the Journall parcells of Acco^{ts}. for January.

Agreed 1000 Pagod^{s}. be advanced the Paymaster.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB . RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

15 Governour received new's of the Mogulls death who dy^{d}. [. . .]

17 Maddapoll^{m} Yatch arrived from Fort S^{t}. David.

18 Ship Maddapollam arrived in this Road from [Atcheen] Agga Jaffar Noquedah.

— Maddapollam Yatch saild for Fort S^{t}. David.

— Danes Sloop sailed for Trincombar.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 20TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.

THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of February last vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported	Pags. 2428 : 24 : 3.
Custom on Grain	632 : 18 : 5.
Anchorage	31 : — : —
	Pags. 3092 : 6 : 2.

and payes into the Rt. Honbl. United Companys Cash One Thousand Pagods. on Accot. Sea Customs.

The Inhabitants payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash Two hundred thirty three Pagods. 1 fa Account of the Black Town Wall and works.

Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of February last.

Mr. Gulston Addison pay'd into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Ten thousand Pagods. as Interest on the 14 Instant, upon the termes as Entered in that dayes Consultation.

Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated yesterday now read & approved.

Agreed Five hundred Pagodas be advanced Mr. Robt. Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Mr. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Three thousand seven hundred Pagods. on Accot. Rupees and Goods sold.

Henry Davenport having served as Secretary [nearly] 6 years, and being desireous to lay down that employe but understanding the President Governour designs speedily for England, is willing to continue during his stay, so to prevent any disgust from him that succeeds Governour he desires that he may be discharged of the Secretarys Employ on ye present Governours departure, which is accordingly granted him.

Collaway and Vinkettee Chittee desired the payment of what money owing from the Company, and that their Accounts may be adjusted; ordered that the Warehousekeeper sends all the Brown cloth in the Warehouse to washing, and expeditate ye. sorting and packing of it, that so the Merchants Accounts may be adjusted.

Ordered that the Accomptant as soon as he has received Februarys Accounts from the Warehousekeepr that he lays before the President and Council the state of the Merchts. Accots. as they stand in the Generall Bookes.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

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21 Ship Good Fortune Frank Holt Comand^r. arrived in ye Road from Atcheen.

— Sloop Hierusalem Monsieur Constantine arrived in this road from Atcheen.

23 Ship Elephant sailed out of this road for Trincombar.

25 Ship Pygurrasome arrived in this road from Manickapattam Mahomud Asseim Noquedah.

27 Ship Mahomuddee arrived in this road from Quodah Mahomud Tyre Noquedah.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 27TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATT. EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

M^r. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of February last.

M^r. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of February last Viz^t..

Charges Garrison	Pag . 1209 : 34 : —
Charges Dyett and allowances	250 : 30 : —
Stores	69 : 12 : —
Charges Cattle	64 : 35 : —
Charges Extraordinary	3 : 24 : —
Fort S^t. David	2 : 30 : —
Charges Generall	310 : 2 : —
Fortification and repairs	132 : 12 : —
Registring sun Smack	44 : 29 : —
	Pag . 2088 : 25 : —

as also his Account of the Black Town Wall and Works for Ditto time.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagod^s. be advanced M^r. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

The Inhabitants payes into Cash one hundred eighty six Pagod^s. Acco^t. of the Black Town Wall and Works.

Dona Theodosia de Silva delivers in a Petition complaining against M^r. Nicks, ordered that the Paymaster and M^r. Hunt Examine the premisses of the Petition and report the same to this board.

From the first settlement of this Place the Moors as well as Gentues pay'd a duty to the Gentue Pagod^s. or places of worship here, and the Gentues alwayes pay'd something to their Muskees, and do to this day but however it comes about (which is wholy unknown to the Governours and the Council say the same) that the collecting of that Duty has been discontinued from the year 1699 . . . . . but few day's past the Gentue Inhabitants delivered in a Petition desiring that the Tax of the Town Wall lay cheifly upon them to pay, desired that the duty the Moors usually pay'd might be restored to their Pagoda, upon which was perused the Consultation and finding no orders therein for the taking it [off] 'twas agreed should be collected as formerly & accordingly orders were given to the Sea Customer and Conicoplys at the Sea Gate, which, occasiond' a Murmur in the Moors that resides here, and trade to [. . .] and induced them to deliver in a Petition as entered after this Consultation. [*one line lost.*] considered of, which we take not to be a little saucy in saying they will not pay, besides their assertion therein is faulse, wherein they would insinuate as if they never had pay'd it, the truth of which being as beforementioned,

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and if we should give way in this matter, 'tis not unlikely but one of these dayes they will insist upon being custom Free, for that the old Proverb is as well adapted to these sort of men as any in the world, for that give them an Inch and they'l take an Ell, and looking upon these ancient and small Dutys of paying to Pagod^s^, and Falling a sort of barriar to the Companys Customs against these insulting people, 'Tis therefore unanimously agreed that they are made to pay the duty as formerly or to leave the Place Ordered that the Braminy give notice to the Moorman who brought the aforesaid Petition to appear before the Governour and Council next sitting to receive the answer mentioned.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer pays into Cash One Thousand Pagods. Acco^t^. Sea Customs.

Ordered that the Accomptant draws out the Accompt of salary due to the Rt. Honble. Compas. servants of this Place.

Generall Letter from Suratt dated 10th Janury. now read.

Tho: Pitt.

Will: [Fraser.]

M: Empson.

Will: Martin.

Robt: Raworth.

Tho: Frederick.

To the Honble Thomas Pitt Esqr.
President and Governour of Fort
St. George and the Worshipll Council &c.

The humble Petition of all the Mogul and Patan Moor men Merchants in Madrass.

We the Mogull Patans and all other Moor Men, Merchants in Madrass do humbly represent to your Honour &c That from the beginning of your Honours Government unto this day, we have with all willingness pay'd the Companys Customs, and all other Dutys belonging to us to pay. But now 'tis required of us to pay Duty's towards the maintaining the Gentue Pagoda, which Pagoda we have nothing to do withall, and will not contribute any towards it. Therefore if your Honour &c will be pleased to order that no other Dutys be required from us then what we have pay'd heretofore, we are willing to remain here, otherwise we will all of us be gone; [and] desire to know your Honours &c pleasure in this buisness We are

Your Honrs &c most obedt. Servts.

Ship Moraad Bux arrived in this Road from Ganjam [. . . .] Dowed Cawn Noquedah. 28th

Ship Richmond Capt Wallis Comandr. sailed out of this road for the West Coast. by whom sent a Packet to ye [Govr.] and Council of York Fort. 29

Ship President Capt. Charles Hopkins Comandr. arrived [in] this road from Bengall by whom received a Packet [from] the Council for the United Affairs there. 31

Ship Dolben Capt. Hutchin Comr. sailed for [Coast.]

The Maddapollam Yatch arrived from Fort St. David. [April] pmo.

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At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 3d.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governr. and President.

William Fraser. Matthew Empson.

William Martin. Robert Raworth.

Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

Inhabitants payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash the sum of Two hundred forty six Pags. 9fas. towards the Assestment of the Black Town Wall and works.

Ponagettoo Narso &c Tobacco and Beetle farmers payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash Five hundred eighty three Pagods. 12fas.

The following Generall Letters received were now read.

From Bengall dated 26th February copy sent by the Bengall Mercht. who is not yet arrived.

Ditto dated 26th February ₩ Ship President.

From the Deputy Governr. and Council of Fort St. David dated 30th past month, advising of their having drawn Bills of Exchange on us for Three thousand two hundred Pagods Agreed the same be [pay'd].

The Accomptant producing the Account of the last halfe years salary due to the Rt. Honble. Company servants of this place amounting to Pagods. (*Lacuna*), agreed the same be pay'd.

This day Mr. Hunt and Mr. Benyon delivered in the Account between John Pitt Esqr. Deceased and Mr. Abendana [as was] agreed in Council, Whereon it app[ears] Abendana owes Pagods. (*Lacuna*) to Mr. Pitt's Estate.

Ordered that the Secretary delivers copys of the said Account to Mr. Gulston Addison Trustee to Mr. Pitt [deceased] and another copy to Mr. Abendana, and acquaint them [that 'tis] the Order of the Governour and Council that upon receipt thereof they give each other discharges.

We wanting money to pay off the Fort St. David [Bill] of Exchange, 'Tis agreed that we take up Four thousand Pagodas at Interest upon the same termes that Ten thousand Pagodas we tooke up 14th past month.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper continue on board the President the Salt Petre till next Consultation day, not being resolved whether or no we shall send her to the West Coast.

Ordered that John Marry, John Poless, John Roseur Christopher Rodrigues are Entertain'd of the Military in the Garrison, and Lewis ffirnand Coffrey discharged.

Henry Davenport payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash three thousand Pagodas at Interest on the same termes as the money that was taken up the 14th past month.

Mr. Robert Raworth payes into Cash one Thousand Pagods. at Interest on the same termes.

Tho: Pitt.
Will: Fraser.
M: Empson.
W: Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.

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Ship Massahee Noquedah Izza Cooley arrived in this road from Pegue. 4.
Ship Dorothy Capt. Poney Comr. saild out of this road for Pegue.
Ship Boomrepau arrived in this road from Pegue Coja Tassaree Noquedah. 5.
Ship Pidoorassome Mattee Sheek Noquedah arrived in this road from Ballasore. —
Ship [*Lacuna*] belonging to Coja Sattoor arrived in this road from Quodah. 6

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Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT. THURSDAY 10TH.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account Cash for the month of March last Ballance Pagods. 3326 : 3 :—

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Accot. for the month of March last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash seven hundred thirty Nine Pagods. 24fas for Custom on Gold coined, and farther delivers to ye Warehousekeeper 541 Rupees accot. Custom on Silver coined.

The Inhabitants payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash Two hundred and Nine Pagods. 27fas. Accot. the last assestment for the black Town Wall and workers.

[The Rentall] Generall payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys. Cash Six hundred Pagods. Accot. Qu[it] Rents for the year 1704.

The Washers being before us this day represented their condition very deplorable and that without [we] would advance them some money 'twould be impossible for them to keep their men from leaving the Place so that whenever the Company should have occasion as they often have for many washers they would [be] disappointed, to prevent which 'tis agreed to advance them one hundred and fifty Pagods. in money, and that the Warehousekeeper delivers them to the same amount in Paddy.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 3 Instant now read.

Messrs. Raworth and Hunt give in their report about the dispute between Manuell de Silva and Mr. Nicks, consideration of wch. deferred to another meeting.

Ordered that Hans Meerman be Entertaind one of the Gunners Crew in this Garrison.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship Pearle Capt. Butcher sailed out of this road for Bengall. 11.

Ship Bengall Merchant arrived in this road from Bengall by whom we received a Generall Letter from the Council for the United Affairs there. 13.

Ship Mahomuddee sailed out of this road for Pegue.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 17.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Mr. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of March last.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymaster Account for the month of March last Vizt.

Charges Garrison	P.	1194 : 10 : —
Charges Dyet and allowances		242 : 16 : 40
Stores		128 : 9 : 40
Charges Cattle		32 : 27 : —
Charges Extraordinary		2 : 4 : —
Bengall Settlement		95 : 28 : —
Charges Generall		304 : 33 : —
Fortification and repairs		144 : 2 : —
	Pagods.	2050 : 22 : —

as also his Accot. of the Black Town Wall and Works for said time.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of March last Vizt.

Choultry Custom	Pags.	235.	16.	10
Rubie Broakers		56.	—	20
Town Broakers		4.	6.	20
Registring slaves		1.	4.	—
	Pagos.	296.	26.	50

and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of Three hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Accts. for the the month of March last.

The Inhabitants payes into the Companys Cash the sum of One Hundred eighty seven Pagods. in part of their Assestment towards the Black Town Wall & works.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of March last Vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported and Exported ...	Pags.	1698 : 3 : 10.
Custom on Grain		559 : 20 : 64.
Anchorage		39 : — : —.
	Pags.	2296 : 23 : 74.

and payes into the Companys Cash Fifteen hundred Pagods. on Account Sea Customs.

The Accomptant reads his Journall parcells of [accounts] for the month of February last.

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Agreed that Three thousand Pagodas be pay'd to Surauppan out of the Cash received for the Town Wall, being what he disbursed when Dowed Cawn was here as Agreed ℔ Consultation this 23d September 1706.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
Wm: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

Ship Harrcote Capt. Gaywood Comr. arrived in this road from Suratt. 18.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SUNDAY 20TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

The Indian Friggat being arrived in this Road from England the Council was sumoned to open the Packet, which prov'd only a Letter from the New Company, the purport thereof being to acquaint us that they had payed the Bills drawn by Mr. Tillard, and that they would pay no more of their Metchlepatam Debt, desireing we would publish the same to all residing here, the Captain averring he had no other Letter for us, telling he came only hither to acquaint us that St. Helena was in our hands, but that Two French men of Warr had been there, & had taken the Queen and Dover out of that [Road].

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

Ship Hopewell Capt. Adams sailed out of this Road [for] Bengall by whom sent a Packet to the Council for [the] United Affairs there dated 18th Instant. 22.

Sloop St. Martin Capt. Manuel Gonsalvas Comr saild for Mocow.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 24TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERR. AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash One Thousand Pagod's. on Accot. Sea Custom.

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The Inhabitant[s] payes into the Companys Cash One hundred and twenty Pagod^{s}. in part of the Assessment for the black Town Wall and works.

The Accomptant reads his Journall parcells of Accounts for the month of March last.

Agreed that we write to Fort S^{t}. David to the Deputy Governour and Council to see and perswade the Merch^{ts}. to make an Investment for 20,000 or 30,000 Pagod^{s}. in Ordinary Longcloth and Sallampores, 40 and 50 Cov. Betteelaes, and for the Amount of What is Embaled at the end of every month, to pay them Interest till [we] discharged the same.

Messrs. Fleetwood and Wrighte Supra Cargoes of the Hannover to h[ave] presented a Petition as Entered after this Consultation complaining that amongst the Dollars French Crownes and Duccatoons which they bought of the Company, they found in China considerable parcell of German Dollars near 6 ℔ cent worse then standrd by which they were loosers about Two hundred forty five Pagod^{s}. and prays an allowance for the same ; Ordered that the Warehousekeeper, M^{r}. Hunt and the two Assaymasters examine the Invoice from England of that Silver and report the same.

The Metchlepatam Merchants that continue in Town for that purpose were before us to demand their Debt from the new Company, whom the Governour informed the purport of their Letter now received, but whereas their Petitions were gone home to the United Company, advised them to stay for an answere till the arrivall of the [first] Ship from England.

Ordered that M^{r}. Hunt layes before this board the state of the Old Companys Account with the United next Consultation day.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HON^{BLE} THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}.
GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT OF FORT
S^{T}. GEORGE ETC., COUNCIL.

Honble. S^{r}. etc.

We having last year bought of yor. Hon^{r}. parcell of silver belonging to the R^{t}. Honble. Company [at] the rate of $16\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars for 10 Pagod^{s}. upon which (as we are ready to give satisfactory proof) we sustain'd a Loss in China of Two hundred Tale and upwards, occasioned by having a large quantity of German Dollars among the said Silver, which were 6 ℔ cent worse then Spanish Dollars or French Crowns the species we agreed for ; we humbly hope your Honour etc., will take the same into consideration and order such reperation to be made us as you shall think reasonable We are,

Honble S^{rs}. etc.

Your most Obed^{t}. hum^{ble} Servants,
EDWARD FLEETWOOD.
ROBERT WRIGHTE.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE,
24TH APRIL 1707.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. — MAY THURSDAY p mo.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Inhabitants payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash One hundred and four Pagods. towards ye assestment for the Black Town Wall and Works.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer payes into the Cash One Thousand Pags. on Account Sea Customs.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Bolla who Rents the Companys old Garden Lease being expired the 16th of past month, Agreed that it be renewed for Ten years at the same Rent of One hundred and twenty Pagods ₱ annum.

Agreed that the Salt Petre on board the President be unloaden, and that the Warehousekeeper sends what Lead he has on board for Balance resolving to keep her here for the Service of these Garrisons & that She be dispatchd to Fort St. David to be returned loaden with Paddy or Firewood.

Mr. Hunt according to an order of last Consultation lay'd before us the Account between the old and United Company as it now stands in the Generall Bookes, by which we perceive there is nothing transacted between the two Companys this last year except the Payment of Ten thousand Pagodas by the United to the old Company and that in the last Bookes Letter E which ended the 30th of April 1706 that then the United Compa owed the[m] 87322 Pags. 19 fanams for which the President and Council for the old Companys Affairs represent it highly just and reasonable that they should be allowed Interest for the same, which is Agreed un[to] and ordered the Accomptant Charges it accordingly at 9 ₱ & allow the United Compa Interest for 10,000 Pags pay'd to 30th April last.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

Sloop belonging to the Danes arrived in this road from Trincombar. 2.
Ship Friendship arrived in this Road from Cutcheen. 3.
Ship Hideree Auga Moogem Noquedah sailed out this road for Bengall. 7.
Ship Successs Capt. Gayre Comr. arrived in this road from Suratt.
Queen Anne Ketch arrived in this road from Bengall. 8.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT. — THURSDAY 8TH.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Peter de Pomera Arrac Farmer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Five hundred Pagodas on that Account.

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Inhabitants payes into the R^t^. Honble. United Companys Cash One hundred Forty four Pagod^s^. 18 fanams Account of the Assessment for the Black Town Wall and works.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Mint Account of the R^t^. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of April last Ballance Pag^s^. 4008 : 15 : 4 :

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Mint Account for the month of [April] last, and payes into the R^t^. Honble. Companys Cash Pag^s^. 519·7.—on Acco^t^. Custom on Gold coined, [and farther] payes to the Warehousekeepr 264 [Pag^s^. on Acc^t^. Custom on Silver coined].

Agreed that One Thousand Pagod^s^. be advanced M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrisons.

Capt. Robert Hill Comand^r^. of the Indian Merchant delivering in a paper as Entered after this Consultation wherein he request our advice, to which we gave him an answere as Entered after his Paper.

Messrs. Fleetwood and Wrighte importuning us for an answere to their Paper they delivered us in Consultation the 24th past month about a Loss they sustain'd in German Dollars found in China amongst the silver bought of the Company last year, upon which having perused the Som̃ers Invoice and find all species of Dollars mentioned except a Chest N°. 194 against which is wrott Dollars which they not only sent but likewise declare upon Oath that they had a Chest, Exactly that weight q^t^. 4246·8 (oz. drs.) German Dollars besides in severall others there was some of the same mixt which Amounted to in all 2530 oz. 11½ dwt. which selling for 6 ℔Cent worse Amo^t^. to Pagod^s^. 245·11 ^fas^ we having demanded of them the reasons why this objection was not made at the receipt of the money to which they answere and those of the Companys Servants who saw the silver weigh'd [averr'd] the same, that they saw none of the silver but such of the baggs as was broak and did not in the least suspect any such Dollars to be [amongst] them being not distinguished in the [Som̃ers] Invoice, by their Pre[sident and council who is] intirely their guide in that particular, so in consideration they take their oath as Entered after this Consultation, and the unquestionable good Character of the Person we think it reason and Justice they should be considered, and in order thereto 'tis unanimously Agreed the President payes them out [the sum of] hundred Pagodas.

The Warehousekeeper &c having by order of the Govr. &c Council sorted a parcell of Ordinary Longcloth belonging to the Merchants, which is not the same sort as agreed on by Muster being much thinner thô finer Thread; 'Tis therefore Agreed this day in Consultation with the Merchants that all that Cloth be put to N°. 3 and pay'd for accordingly.

M^r^. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of April last.—

Choultry Custom	P. 217 : 25 : 3
Rubie Broakers	102 : 6 : 4
Town Broakers	13 : 4 : 1
Registring Slaves	1 : 12 :—
	P. 334 : 12 : 2

Ordered that Laurence Dissaz, Francisco Deos, Man Miheir of the Gunners Crew, and Thomas Fara [. . .] Pasquall Soldiers in this Garrison.

Tho: Pitt.
Will: Fraser.
M: Empson.
W: Martin.
Rob^r^. Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.

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To the Honble Thomas Pitt Esqr.
President for Affairs of the Rt.
Honble United English East India
Company on the Coast of Chormandell
& Govnr. of Fort St. George &c Council.
Honble Sr. &c.

I being ordered hither by the secret Committee to bring what newes at St. Helena and the Cape which I am sorry is noe better then I have informed you, and to proceed hence for Bombay whither I understand the Monsoon will not serve till Sepr. next, and I having been so unfortunate as to loose and wronge most of my Masts, I humbly request your Honour &c advice whether I was best goe to refitt, and be serviceable to the Company and whereas the small Stock of the Ships I brought out is exhausted you'l please to give me Credit for my expences here in provissions where I am obliged to stay longer then Ordinary to recruit, not only to recover my own health, but the whole Ships Company all of us arriving in a weak condition I am,

Honble Sr
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
Robert Hill.

Fort St. George,
May 8th 1707.

To Capt. Robert Hill Comr.
of the Indian Merchant.

We have considered of the Paper you delivered us in Consultation this day, and as we beleive you are the Companys Ship, thó we have no Letter from them to assure us thereof, and in answere to your request we give you the following advice that as you observe in your Paper that the Monsoon serves not to goe to Bombay till September next, and that yor. Ship has wronged and Lost most of her masts we think you can goe to no Place so convenient to fit her as Bengall from whence the latter end of August you may come hither with Stores for this Garrison the Advantage of which to the Company may contribute towards defraying your Charges, and hence you may proceed to Bombay, and as you say your Ships Stock is exhausted we are ready to credit you for the Amount of your Provissions you shall buy here, and think the sooner you goe to Bengall you have the more time to refit your Ship in order to returne [hither,] which we wish you a safe arrivall again to.

Sr,
Yor. Affectiont: Friends.

Thomas Pitt.
William Fraser.
Matthew Empson.
William Martin.
Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.

Fort St. George,
8th May 1707.

We Edward Fleetwood and Robert Wright, do Solemnly declare and sweare upon the Holy Evangelist that amongst the Silver we bought and received out of the Companys Godown in March 1706, that when we came to China to dispose thereof we found a Chest ps. £ 290· $^{oz}_{8}$. $^{dwt}_{5}$ to be intirely German Dollars wch : agrees

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in weight with the Companys Chest N 194, & so many more amongst the rest as weighed ounces 2530 $11\frac{1}{2}$ dwt by which we Lost Pagods. 245 $\frac{fas}{11}$ and this we declare to be the truth to which we not only swear but set our Hands this 15th day of May 1707.

EDWD. FLEETWOOD.
ROBT. WRIGHTE.

[. . .]
To Tho: Pitt Govr.

10TH Ship Richmond arrived in this road from Armgun (Armegon) being bound to the West Coast, but returned having met with bad weather the Comr. Capt. Wallis being Dead.

Danes Sloop sailed out of this Road for Trincombar.

11 Ship President Char: Hopkins Mastr. sailed for F. St. David.

12 Sloop St. Pedro St.[Paul] Coja Arratone sailed for Bengll.

— Sloop Hierusalem sailed for Bengall.

14 Sloop Nossa Senhra. [. . .] Paina sailed for Macow.

— Ship Bengall Merchant Capt. Newland saild for Bengall.

— Ship Success Capt. Gayer sailed for Bengall.

— Ship Freindship Capt. Bowcher sailed for Bengall.

— Ship Chindadree Banker beague Noquedah arrived in this road from Juncksalone.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 15TH

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

The Inhabitants payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of Six hundred thirty-four in part for the assestment of the Black Town Wall and works.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of April last Vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported ys month	P. 2,103 :	30 :	70
Custom on Grain	457 :	21 :	76
Anchorage	47 :	— :	—
	Pa. 2,638 :	16 :	66

Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of April last.

Mr. Raworth having some money in his Hands belonging to Messrs. Griffith and Bugden in which several having put in their claimes whose rights thereto are doubtfull: 'Tis therefore agreed that Messrs. Raworth, Frederick and the Secretary sends for all such Persons and examine their titles thereto, and report to the Gov. and Council their opinions thereon.

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M^{r}. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymast^{rs}. Account for the month of April last Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	P.	208 :	27 :	—
Charges Dyet and allowances		252 :	1 :	—
Stores		130 :	24 :	—
Charges Cattle		39 :	10 :	—
Charges Extraordinary		20 :	29 :	—
Charges Generall		292 :	22 :	—
Fortification and repairs		195 :	25 :	—
	Pag^{s}	2,139 :	30 :	—

as also his Account of the Black Town Wall and works for Ditto time.

Generall Letter to the Generall and Council of Bombay dated this day now read and approved.

Ordered that Manuel deRozaro, Bangalla Lazaro deMonte be Entertain'd Souldiers in this Garrison, and Manuel Rodregues, Manuel Pareira and Jno. Domendos of the Gunroome Crew.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT. SATURDAY, 17TH

WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

This day Messrs. Fleetwood, Wright &c., were before us who made proposalls for hyreing the Companys Ship President for Tonqueen, which was Agreed to upon the following termes, conditionally that they could provide Silver so as to dispatch her in the Season. That for the Voyage from hence to Tonqueen and back they are to pay Two Thousand and five hundred Pago[ds] twenty days after her returne to this Port, That the Company is to man her with Six Europeans, and Sixteen Laskars and equip her so in all respects to render her capable to undertake the Voyage, wch Voyage if exceeds Twelve months, that then Mess^{s}. Fleetwood &c., are to pay the Company One hundred and twenty Pagod^{s}, a month, over and above the sum̃ of Two thousand five hundred Pag^{s}. before mentioned, till her arrivall in this Port.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^{T} : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship S^{t}. George Capt. [Grannock] Com^{r}. arrived in this Road from Suratt. 19

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 22d. THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.

THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Inhabitants payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash One hundred forty one Pagodas in part for the Assestment of the Black Town Wall and Work.

Henry Davenport Secretary pay's into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash seventy eight Pags. for Permission of Passengers on board Ship Tankervill for England.

Agreed that Six months Town Conicoplys duty be pay'd to Mannangapau.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Company's Cash Fifteen hundred Pagods. on Account Sea Custome.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 10th Instant now read, Agreed that Two thousand Pagods. be sent thither by Bill of Exchange.

Agreed that Five hundred Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster towards carrying on the Black Town Wall and works.

Generall Letter from Mr. Roberts Deputy Governr. of Fort St. David dated 10th Instant now read, in which he represents the ill state of his health & desird to come hither for change of air, in hopes to recover the same, Agreed that a Letter be wrott him representing the troubles of the Country, and that ' tis a very improper time for any to be from their Posts, yet if his indisposition be so very bad great as he represents we permitt him to come, tho' we can't advise him.

Ordered that the Rentall Generall takes the Gunner, Cheif carpenter and Bricklayers [to·] Survey who it is that has builded H[ouses which] incroached upon the Streets, and report [. . . .]

Mr. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper [reads] his Warehouse Account for the month of April last.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBr. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

24 Sloop St. Joan sailed for Ganjam.

26 Ship Chambers Friggat Capt Thomas South Comr. belonging to the Separate Stock arrived in this road from England.

28 Ship President Capt. Hopkins Comr. arrived in this road from Fort St. David.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 29TH THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER. MATT. EMPSON.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.

THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Inhabitants payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Ninety Pagodas in part for the Assessment of the black Town Wall and works.

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Ponagetto Narso &c. Tobacco and Beetle farmers payes into the R[t]. Hon[ble]. United Companys Cash Five hundred eighty three Pag[ds]. fas 12 on that Acco[t].

M[r]. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper payes into the R[t]. Hon[ble]. United Companys Cash Two thousand Pagod[s]. on Acco[t]. Goods sold.

M[r]. William Martin Sea Customer payes into the R[t]. Hon[ble]. United Companys Cash Five hundred Pagod[s]. on Account Sea Customs.—

The President acquaints us that M[r]. Mountague had wrott him that some Natives were desireous to buy M[r]. Haynes's House at Cudda [loore] which would be very inconvenient to the Company for reasons Entered in our Consultation of the 14th of November last; 'Tis therefore unanimously agreed that we order the Deputy Governour and Council to take it for Account of the United Company at One Thousand Pagod[s].

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sells 33 candy of Salt Petre to the freighters of Ship President at 14 Pag[s]. ₩ Candy.

M[r]. Maxwell did this day deliver in a Petition as Enter'd after this Consultation, complaining of great Injustices done him by Cap[t]. Hamilton, and pray'd an Atatchment against Ship George lately arrived from Suratt, Agreed the consideration of it be referred to our next meeting.

Cap[t] South Comand[r]. of Ship Chambers Friggat produced his Licence Signed by M[r]. Gilbert Secretary to the New Comp[a]: wherein 'tis mentioned he has a Right to Trade, which Licence is Entered after this Consultation.

William Read Petitioned us this day about a Debt due to him from Captain Fountain Deceased whose effects are in M[r]. Berlues hands, about which he has been often wrott, Agreed that the Copy of the Petition be sent to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S[t]. David, and once more—admonish'd to pay it.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

Henry Cornish, Godfrey Webster, and William Teshmaker, having by virtue of an Act of Parliament made in the 9th and 10th years of the Reigne of his last Majesty King William for settling the Trade to the East Indies a Right to Trade to the said Indies, and the other the Parts within the Limitts prescribed by the said Act to the Value of Two thousand six hundred Forty nine—Pounds Three shillings and Eleven pence Separate from the Joint Stock of the Company established by virtue of the said Act, hath for this year Transferred their said Right or Interest to Captain Thomas South and the said Captain Thomas South hath in pursuance of the said Transferr or Licence entered in the Bookes of the said Company the severall Goods abovementioned to be exported to India aforesaid in the aforesaid Ship.

LONDON THE 28TH NOVEM[R]. 1706. T. GILBERT, *Sec[y]*.

TO THE HON[BLE] THOMAS PITT ESQ[R].
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R[T]. HON[BLE].
UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMP[A].
ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL & GOV[R].
OF FORT ST. GEORGE &C. COUNCIL.

HON[BLE] S[RS] &C.

The great fame of your equal distribution of Justice to all such as are injured [and] wronged (who apply themselves to you for releif) brought

me hither, humbly to represent my case to you and to lay before you the most notorious and unparalleld injustice done me by Capt Alexander Hamilton, and Mulpa the Dutch Broaker at Cotcheen, as by the particulars I beg leave here to incert, corrobarated by strong and undeniable evidence do's appear.

I having sometime resided in Cochin was in the year 1704 employed by Mulpa the Dutch Broaker there as Comander and Supra Cargoe of his Ship Josiah, to proceed on a Voyage to the Northward of that Place, but he being Indebted considerably to the Commodores Widdow, and others, who threaten'd to Attach his Ship and Effects, and perceiving that I had an Interest with his Creditors prevailed with me to solicite 'em in his behalfe, who upon my application to 'em, consented that their severall Debts should proceed on the Ship I embarqued upon provided I would be security for the Payment thereof on my returne, this I readily Agreed to and Entered into Bonds, accordingly, and for the securing myself, Mulpa was to Lade on board certain Merchandize exceeding his Debt to me, and the sums for which I was security and to give me a Bond upon the bottom of said Ship Josiah for 142454 Cotchin Fanams with the advance of 14 ₩ Cent upon her returne, which he executed as by his Bond bearing Date December the 8th Anno 1704 do's appear, and in his Instructions consigns and makes over to me the said Ship and Cargoe for the duc payment of my own, and the Debts I stood engaged for, and Laded aboard Goods to the Amount of 29824. Rupees as ₩ Invoice, with which I proceeded to Suratt, and there unloaded the Ship and delivered the Cargoe in the hands of Benadash, who I took for my Broaker for the disposing thereof; but upon the arrivall of Capt Hamilton at the Rivers mouth he insinuated to me, that the Ship Josiah being out of repair 'twas highly necessary to carry her into the River to be fitted, and that he and Benadash had an authentick Power from Mulpa to contract for a dispose of any Goods, or effects of the said Mulpa, or any of his Ships whenever they mett them, and their Voyage to alter at their pleasure as specified and acknowledged in their Bonds dated April 28th : 1705, but I insisting upon the Respondentia Bond being due upon the Ships arrivall at Cochin Captain Hamilton solemnly protested that if I would bring the Ship, into the river, and deliver the Cargoe to him and Benadash they would immediatly discharge Mulpas Bonds pretending 'twould be much to his Interest, which inducements made me consent thereto; but trusting too much upon the faith and honesty of that man Hamilton, did not at that time take any writing from under his hand supposing to have had the money in a day or two; I waited some time before I asked him for it, & 'twas about 8 days after desired him to make up accounts he still put me off by telling me 'twas presently done, and that I need not trouble myself about but consulting with some Gentlemen there, Mr. Livesay more particularly told me, he wished Hamilton had not a design to trick me, which made me the more earnest upon him, and being some thing warm in pressing him to a conclusion in his own house denyed he owed me any thing, or had any thing to do with me, upon which finding all other means fail, and no justice to be had from the country Government, I apply'd myself to S^r. John Gayer who could by no means prevail with him to redeliver me the Cargoe for discharging the Debts here [to] before mentioned, and with much perswasion was brought to agree jointly with Benadash to give me a Bond [to] Indemnifie me for the delivery of said Ship and Cargoe and for the due payment of my Bond and other demands if Mulpa did not dicharge them to my satisfaction, this was all I could obtain, and being late in the year, and the Buckhurst the last Ship there, intended for Cochin, did earnestly press Capt Hamilton to take my passage on her, having some affairs of moment to negotiate there, but no perswasion co^d. prevail with him, nor no consideration I could offer to take me aboard, instead of which, upon his arriving there spread the most Scandalous report of me, as malice could invent, and that I was run away for England, and never to be expected there again, as to my great amazement I heard upon my arrival then about eight or ten months after, where demanding my money of Mulpa he denyed Payment thereof, alledging Hamilton had discharged the Bond. I waited there some time in hopes of meeting him, which I did, and there demanding the payment of his Bond, he utterly denyed that either he himself or Jointly with

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Benedash ever gave me a Bond, and persisted therein, till such time I produced it, The Courts of Justice indeed gave me judgement against them but the Comodore waved the compelling 'em to pay me, alledging that Mulpa owed the Company a great deal of money, and that their Debt must be first satisfied; I had an intention to detain Hamilton ashore, but in my hearing (after my producing his Bond to him) he ordered Mupla to pay the sūm but no sooner was he aboard, when he most fraudulently countermanded the order, and charged him not to pay me a penny, he being gone, and finding no other remedy, I returned again for Surat in hope of meeting with him there, but missing of him, and finding the George a ship belonging to the said Mulpa and Hamilton, bound for this Port, am come to your Hon^r. &c upon her to crave your justice and pray an Attachment upon the Ship, and all effects therein of what nature soever belonging or appertaining to the said Hamilton, or Mulpa towards the discharging their Debts to me, and [repairing] the irrepairable injurys done me as to [Loss] of time and expence of 4000. Rupees &c in prosecuting the recovery thereof. This may it please your Hon^r is a faithfull representation of my case, and for ye due proof thereof, humbly beg leave that reference may be had to the severall Authentick Bonds, Certificates, Instructions, and Attestations I have ready to produce; which humbly offering to your Hon^r. &c. prudent consideration, I am with all deference

Honble. S^r. &c^a.

Fort S^r. George,
May 26th 1707.

Yo^r. most Obed^t. & most
hum^ble. Servant.

John Maxwell.

Ship Scepter Capt. Blayer Commander arrived in this road from Callicutt on the Malabar Coast. 30th.

Ship Morning Starr Capt. Ridgley Commander arrived in this road from Suratt. June p^mo.

Ship Anne Capt. Walton arrived in this road from Suratt.

Ship Benjamin Capt. Thomas Morrice sailed for Juncksalone.

Ship Saiddefull Noquedah Amajee sailed out of this road bound for Vizagapatam.

At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday 3^D.

Thomas Pitt Esqr.	Govern^r. & President.
William Fraser.	Matthew Empson.
William Martin.	Robt: Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.	Richard Hunt.

Petition of Andrew Smith, and John Stone read complaining against Capt. Francis Seaton for money due to them from him, Agreed the examination of it be referred to Messrs. Raworth and Hunt, and report the same to this board.

This day M^r. Maxwell was before us to prove what alledged in his Petition against Capt. Alexander Hamilton, whereby it appears to us that the aforesaid Hamilton was considerably Indebted to him, so permitt him to Attach the George, thô under a Contract of ffreight for Bengall whither we promise to write the Council in his behalfe.

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Mr. Fraser delivers to the Governour Quolla Vinketadrys Obligation in behalfe of the New Compa for paying Custom to the Government at Metchlepatam, provided they did not get the Kings Phirmaund.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

5. Ship George sailed for Bengall.

7. Ship Prosperous arrived in this road from Surat.

8. Ship President Capt. Hopkins Comr. sailed for Tonqueen.

11. Ship Blessing Capt. Evans Comr. arrived in this road from Bombay.

12. The Indian Friggat sailed for Bengall.

15. Ship Scepter Capt. Blayer sailed in the night.

AT A CONSULTATION
Present

TUESDAY 17TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Accomptant reads his Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of April last.

The Inhabitants payes into Cash the sūms of Pags. 26 and 23 Pags.

Kittee Narrain Farmer of the New Town's payes into Cash the sum of Thirteen hundred Pagods. for one years Rent for the same.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of May last Vizt.

To Custom on Goods Imported ys month	P	2,377 : 6 : 58
To Custom on Graine		416 : 10 : 72
To Anchorage		50 : — : —
	Pags.	2,843 : 17 : 50

and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash One Thousand Pagodas on that Account.

Agreed that the Persia Horse which is not good enough for a Present nor very usefull for the Garrison, be sold for three hundred Pagods.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymastr. Account for the month of May last Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pags.	1,223 : 32 : —
Charges Dyet and allowances		260 : — : —
Stores		43 : 27 : —
Charges Cattle		88 : 25 : —
Ship President		72 : 32 : —
Charges Generall		322 : 10 : —
Fortifications and repairs		166 : 26 : —
	Pags.	2,178 : 14 : —

as allso his Account of the Black Town Wall & works for said time. Agreed that One Thousand Pags. be advanc'd him to defray Charges Garrison.

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Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of May last.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of May last vizt.

Choultry Custom	Pags.	222 :	32 :	55
Rubie Broakers		129 :	23 :	60
Town Broakers		25 :	6 :	60
Registring Slaves		3 :	4 :	—
	Pags.	380 :	31 :	15

and payes into the Rt Honble United Comps Cash Four hundred Pagados. on Accot Land Custom.

The Governour produces a Letter from Robt. Berriman of Fort St. David, wherein he declares that he had contracted marriage with Mrs. Willson who lately dyed here to whom he had made severall Presents, which were found in her Lodgings at her Death when the Paymaster took an Account of her effects, so considering the low circumstances of Berriman 'Tis agreed that upon his taking his Oath to the List of the things he deman[ded] that they were Presented her upon Accot. of the intended marriage, that the Paymaster delivers him the same.

Messrs Raworth, Frederick and the Secretary reports the nature of the severall demands made by ye Credit of Messrs. Griffith and Bugden, upon the money deposited in Mr. Raworths hands the consideration of which deferred to another opportunity.

The following Generall Letters received were now read Vizt.

from Sr. Nicholas Waite &c Council at Bombay datd 13th May.
from Fort St. David dated 29th May.
from Mr Noden dated 5th June.

Ordered that Nichola Fernandis, Domingo Rodrigues, Manuel de Cruz, Trco. de Lima are Entertaind Souldiers in this Garrison.—

THO. PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

Ship London arrived from Persia. 18.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR AND PRESIDENT. MONDAY 23d.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Councill of Fort St. David dated 20th Instant now read, advising their having sent on a Parr 25 Garse of Paddy, ordered that the Warehousekeeper immediately unloads the same.

The Late Kings Duan of this Country has sent to demand the Town Rent, and is due the first of next month which we are Scrupalus to pay, as not being yet known who will be settled upon the Throwne, but in regard that in this part of the Country

the same Nabob, and Duan continues still to Govern, 'Tis therefore agreed that if the Nabob will also give his Perwanna for the Payment thereof, that then we comply with it.

Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of May last.

Agreed that one Thousand Pagod^s. be advanced M^r. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges of Garrison.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sells at Publick Outcry at the Sea Gate all ye Europe Broadcloth of Cloths Colours now in the Warehouse for the most he can get.

Ordered that Domingo de Rozairo be Entertained a Souldier in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

The Embassadors from the King of Pegue to the Great Mogull arrived this day in Town from the Mogulls Court.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 26TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

Senh^r. Williboot delivers in a Petition which is now read, wherein he makes demands on the Ship and Cargoe of Coja Satoor who lately came from Quedah but it appearing that the money was Lent one Senh^r Romana Supra Cargoe of the Ship who dyed before her arrivall here, for which Coja Satoors effects are not answerable, so 'tis agreed his Petition be dismissed.

M^r. Robert Coppin delivers in a Petition requesting to lay down the Companys Service, Agreed the same be granted him and his Petition Entered after this Consultation.

There having been lately a dispute between the Right and left hand Cast, that live in the Patta about passing some Streets on occasion of their Weddings, insomuch that the Governour was obliged to order Guards to lye out to keep the Peace; to prevent farther disturbance, 'Tis Agreed that M^r. Raworth Paymaster takes with him the Gunner and Suraupa and Narrain Heads for the Right hand Cast, and Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees heads for the left hand cast, and that they survey the Pattas, and consider of what method may be taken to prevent any future disputes of the like nature and report the same to the Governour and Council.

The Nathaniel arriving here from Persia the 24th Instant, ; 'Tis Agreed that she be forthwith unloaden and dispatch'd to Bengall to returne in September loaden with stores according to our intimation given them in our Letter dated the 29th of March last.

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Gombroone dated 19th May now read. Ordered the Warehousekeeper unloads what come on the Nathaniel on the Comp^as. Account.

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Agreed Five Hundred Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robt. Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Peter de Pomera Arrack Farmer payes into Cash Five hundred Pagods. on that Account.

Ditto payes into Cash Two hundred Pagods. for one years Wine Licence.

Ponagetto Narso &c Tobacco and beetle farmers payes into Cash 583 Pa: 12 fas. on that Accot.

The Inhabitants payes into Cash Fifteen Pags. Account of the Black Town Wall and works.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HONBLE. THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT.
HONBLE UNITED COMPANY AND GOVERNOUR
OF FORT ST. GEORGE &C. COUNCIL.
Honble. Sr. &c.

The great decay of my health and the little prospect I have of any great advantage by the longer continuance in the service of the Rt. Honble. Company obliges me to address myself to your Honr. &c for permission to lay down, and though the time limited by my Indentures be not fully expired, yet having discharged the trust reposed in me to the best of my ability, and being already no stranger to your Honrs: &c favours makes me hope you will not refuse what has already been granted to others, which shall alwayes be acknowledged as the highest obligation to.

Honble Sr. &c.
Your most humble, and Obedt. Servt.
ROBERT COPPIN.

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Queen Anne Ketch belonging to Kittee Narrain sailed for Bengall. JULY 1ST.

Received ₰ Pattamars a Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated the 14th June last. 2ND.

Ship Gangee Bux arrived in this road from Porto Novo. 4TH.

Ship Harriote Capt. Gaywood Comandr. sailed out of this road for Bombay and Surat, by whom sent a Generall Letter to Sr. Nicholas Waite &c Council at Bombay. 5TH.

Received ₰ Pattamars via Vizagapatam a Packet from the Council for the United Affairs in Bengall dated 23rd and 29th April last, as also a Packet from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 21st June 1707.

A Danes Sloop arrived in this road from Trincombar. 11

Ship Nathaniel Capt. Dennis Comandr. sailed out of this road for Bengall, by whom sent a Packet for the United Council there. 12

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 10TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of June last Ballance Pagods. 8,790 : 12 : 4.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of June last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Three hundred eighty two Pagods. for Custom on Gold coined, and farther payes to the Warehousekeeper 1,964 Rupees 6 anns. for Custom on Silver coined.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster payes into the Comps. Cash three Hundred Pagodas for a Persia Horse sold.

Mrs. Holcombe payes into the Companys Cash the sum̃ of six hundred Pagodas, being so much Lent her by the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam to pay off a Debt her husband owed to the Government there, for which the Governour here was security.

The Inhabitants payes into the Companys Cash Eight Pagods. in part of the Assestment for the Black Town Wall and works.

Ordered that the Paymaster takes care of Capt. Hills concernes, he having made a Will appointed the Governr. and Mr. Raworth Trustees, who both renounce it.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer payes into the Company's Cash One Thousand Pagodas on Accot. Sea Custom.

Two Generall Letters from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 14th June was now read, advising of their having drawn two Bills of Exchange on us one for Rupees [*Lacuna*] the other for Rups [*Lacuna*] which is now agreed to be pay'd.

Two Generall Letters from the Council for the United Affairs in the Bay of Bengall dated 23d and 29th of April now read.

Agreed that we remitt to Fort St. David by Bills of Exchange about seven or eight thousand Pagods.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymastrs. Account for the month of June last vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pa. 1,188 : 19 :—
Dyett and Allowances	270 : 23 :—
Stores	52 : 14 :—
Charges Cattle	26 : 12 :—
Charges Extraordinary	101 : 12 :—
Maddapollam Yatch	58 : 11 :—
Charges Generall	277 : 1 :—
Ship President	249 : 9 :—
Fortifications and repairs	34 : 17 :—
	Pag. 2,257 : 10 :—

Agreed that One Thousand Pagods. be advanced him towards defraying Charges Garrison.

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Mr: Thomas ffrederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of June last Vizt.

Choultry	Pags. 218 : 16 : 30
Rubie Broakers	39 : 22 : 35
Town Broakers	29 : 28 : 33
Grass Cutters	20 : 15 : 40
Registring Slaves	1 : 28 : —
	Pags. 310 : 2 : 58

Mr. Ewres Cheif Mate of the Indian Friggat delivers in a Villainous Petition against his Deceased Capt. which was rejected.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

The Following note was sent by the Governour to ye Gentlemen of Council. 2d.

There is about Fifty or Sixty peices of Black Cloth now at the Sea Gate to be sold by Public Outcry, according to an order of Consultation, which stands the Company in twenty Six Pagods. and will not sell at Outcry, but a person offers to take them all at Nineteen Pagodas a peice, 'Tis my opinion they be sold, rather than keep them in the Warehouse or till more of those sorts arrives.

THOMAS PITT.

If no more can be got there being two contendg. partys. } WILLIAM FRASER.

To see which will give most, and so dispose of them, rather then rott & eaten wth ye [worm]. } MATT. EMPSON.

WILLM. MARTIN.

ROBERT RAWORTH.

If they will not advance no more understanding there is two contending partys. } THOMAS FREDERICK.

RICHARD HUNT.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT. SATURDAY 12TH.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

This Evening Ship Howland Capt Cooke Comandr. arrived in this Road from England, the Purser bringing the Packet ashore the Council was summoned, when it was opened and found to contain the severall Papers as ℔ List, which is Entered after this Consultation.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper forthwith unloads all the Treasure on board Her, and w^t. Goods else are come on the United Companys Account, and that early a Monday morning the Warehousekeep^r. Messrs. Raworth and Frederick and the two Assaym^rs weigh off Thirty Chests to the Mintmaster to be coined into Rupees for Bengall.

Tho: Pitt.
Will: Fraser.
M: Empson.
W: Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.

List of the Packet to Fort S^t. George by ye Howland.

N^o.

1. Companys Generall to ffort S^t. George dat^d, 15th January 1706.
2. Companys Generall to Ditto dated 28th January 1706.
3. Invoice of the Howland amounting to £ 73,323 : 5 : 10.
4. Bill of Loading of Ditto Ship.
5. Charterparty of Ditto Ship.
6. Orders for Investments.
7. Packet from the Secret Comittee dated 28th January 1706 this wth N°. 1 are inclosed sealed up in a Cover & Directed For the Honble ye President and Council for all the affairs of the English Nation at Fort St George &c.

16 Ship Resolution Capt Hart Comander arrived in this Road from Battavia.

— Danes Sloop sailed out of this Road for Bengall.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 17th.

Thomas Pitt Esqr.	Govern^r & President.
William Fraser.	Matthew Empson.
William Martin.	Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.	Richard Hunt.

The Resolution from Bencoolen arriving the 16th Instant brought us a Generall Letter from the Govern^r. and Council there dated 26th May 1707 advising that they had drawn Bills of Exchange on us for Fifty four thousand seven hundred thirty eight Dollars and halfe a Sattallee, a List of which Bills are as Entered after this Consultation, and this day the severall Persons presented their Bills for acceptance, which the Governour and Council refused being the Companys possitive orders in their Letter by Ship Howland, that we should pay no more of their Bills, upon which they were all Protested to be returned them by the first Ship.

The New Companys Merchants of Metchlepat^m. were before us this day to demand their Debt, to whom we deferred giving them any possitive answere till the arrivall of the Dutchess, but told y^m we heard of no money that was come or coming for them.

M^r. Raworth and the Gunner as also the heads of the Right and Left hand Casts, report that they had surveighed the Patta, according to an order of Consultation of the 26th past month, and produced a Draught of all the Streets and Buildings in the Patta, when showed us what Streets was cheifly Inhabited by the left hand Cast

being Bridge Gate Street, and that wch. is commonly called the Cheif Peons Street, wherein lives but few of the Right Hand Cast; so to preserve the Peace between the two aforesaid Casts for the future. We hereby order that those few of the Right hand Cast in the aforementioned streets sell their Houses, and goe and live in the streets amongst their own Cast, and that those Two Streets are peculiarly appropriated for the left hand Cast to pass in at their making their weddings, and Feastifalls, and that none of the Right hand Cast give them the least disturbance in that presinct at their utmost peril: And 'tis farther hereby ordered that neither Cast may pretend Ignorance of their Limits, that the Paymaster sets up four Stones at the Cost of the Left hand Cast according as we have directed him in the draught, and Inscribe thereon in English and Gentue the purport of this our Order.

M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Account of the Black Town Wall & works for the month of June.

M^r^. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea custom Account for the month of June last Viz^t^.

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported	Pa. 4,162 : 4 : 72
Custom on Grain	474 : 33 : 40
Anchorage	64 : – : –
	4,701 : 1 : 32

and payes into the R^t^. Honble. Companys Cash Three thousand Pagodas on Account Sea Customs.

The money taken up at Interest, Notice is hereby given for the payment of the same according to [ye] Agreement; Henry Davenport accepts his no[w] payment.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagod^s^. be advanced M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

THO: PITT.
WILL: FRASER.
[*Lacuna*].
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

A LIST OF THE WEST COAST BILLS OF EXCHANGE.

	DOLLARS.	SUC.	FAS.
Matthew Ridley Esqr. Payable to the Hono:^ble^ Thomas Pitt Esqr. or Order	2,459 :	2 :	1
Ditto payable to the Reverend George Lewis, Jam^s^ Wendy and Wardens of Madrass Church or their Order	669 :	3 :	—
Ditto payable to Messrs. John Davenport and George Willcox or order	1,379 :	1 :	—
Messrs. John Lapie and William Dean payable to the Honble Thomas Pitt Esqr. &c., Owners of Willm. Briggant^e^	6,108 :	3 :	—
Dittos payable to Benjamin Heñing or Order ...	1,215 :	— :	—
M^r^. John de Lapie pay^ble^ to M^r^. Dan^ll^. Chardin or Order	5,023 :	— :	—
Ditto payable to M^r^. Richard Carey or Order	954 :	— :	—
M^r^. Thomas Greaves payable to Messrs. John Meverell and Richard Hunt, or Order ...	6,500 :	— :	—
Ditto payable to himself or order...	10,625 :	— :	—
M^r^. William Deane payable to M^r^. Thom^s^ Greaves or Order	2,000 :	— :	—

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Ditto payable to Mr. Matthew Empson or order ...	608 :	2 :—
Mrs. Mary Cooper payable to herself or order ...	2,837 :	1 :—
Capt. Willfred Hart and Mr. Robert Ingram payable to Capt. Willfrid Hart or Order	14,357 :	3 :—
Dollars ...	54,738 :	— :—

At a Consultation

Present

Friday 18th

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour and President.

William Fraser. Matt : Empson.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

Ship Dutchess Capt. Hugh Raymond Commandr. arrived in this road from England, the Purser brought ashore the Rt. Honble. Managers Packet by her when the Council [was] sumoned to open it, which was found to agree according to List, and is as Entered after this Consultation.

Tho : Pitt.
Will : Fraser.
M. Empson.
W. Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho : Frederick.

List of the Packet to Fort St. George by ye Dutchess.

No. 1. Companys Generall to Fort St. George datd. 28th Janr 1706.
2. Invoice of Ship Dutchess amountg. to £ 73908 18.
3. Bill of Loading of Ditto.
4. Charterparty of Ditto Ship.
5. Orders of Investments.
6. Companys Generall to Fort St. George datd 15th Jany 1706.
7. Packet from the Secrett Committee dated 28th January 1706 this with No. 6 are inclosed sealed up in a cover and directed Vizt. For the Honble the President and Council for all the Affairs of the English Nation at Fort St. George, &c.

— Ship Chambers Friggat sailed out of this Road for Bengll.
— A Danes Ship arrived in this road from Trincombar.

At a Consultation

Present

Satturday 19th

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour and President.

William Fraser. Matthew Empson.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper unloads all the Goods on board the Dutchess with Thirty Chests of Treasure (Gold Thread excepted) and that he continues on board to be sent to Bengall a moiety of each ships Lead, and that he Loads on each of them their Charterparty proportion of Redwood.

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Agreed to sell the Silver at Sixteen and a halfe Dollars for Ten Pagodas to those that coine it, and Sixteen and a quarter those that carry it away.

Tho: Pitt.
Will: Fraser.
M. Empson.
W. Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.

Danes Ship sailed out of this Road for Pollicat. 20th

Ship Morning Starr Capt. William Weild Comander sailed out of this Road for Bencoolen. 23rd

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At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 24th

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour and President.

William Fraser. Matthew Empson.
William Martin. Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick. Richard Hunt.

The Maddapolam Yatch arriving here from Fort St. David with Firewood, Ordered that it be unloaden and that she be forthwith returned thither again, with Factors Provisions, &c.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 18th Instant now read.

Agreed that Three hundred Pagodas be sent Mr. Noden at Metchlepatam to defray the Charges of the Factory and buy Firewood; and incourage the Merchts to send up hither Four hundred peices of Saderuncheras and Allejaes, and four hundred peices Sacerguntees of the best sort.

Agreed that Ten thousand Madrass Pagods. be sent to Vizagapatam ℔ Ship Dutchess to enable them to go on with an Investment in Ordinary Longcloth, Sallampores, and Striped Betteelaes, as we shall in our next Letter order.

Agreed that the Broadcloth brought on the Dutchess and Howland be sold at Publick Outcry on Tuesday the 5th of next month and Notes to be fixed on the Gates accordingly to give Notice thereof, yet if any Merchants are amind to buy it by private Contract they are free to make their proposalls to the Governr. and Govrnr and Council.

Agreed that Ten chests of Silver be sold to ye Presidt. and Council for the old Companys Affairs, at the rate of Sixteen and a halfe Dollars for Ten Pagods. and the amount thereof to be Accompted as part of their Debt from the United Company.

We this day resolved on a List of Goods to be provided at Fort St. David, which is agreed to be sent them by the first Letter, and are Vizt.

Peices.	
16,000	Long cloth Ordinary White Sixteen thousand peices.
4,000	Ditto Middling Four thousand peices.
4,000	Ditto Browne Four thousand peices.
2,000	Ditto Blew Two thousand peices.
2,000	Ditto Fine Two thousand peices.
16,000	Sallampores Ordinary Sixteen thousand peices.
4,000	Ditto Middling Four thousand peices.
2,000	Ditto Browne Two thousand peices.
2,000	Ditto Fine No. 18, 19 Two thousand peices.

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SAIL CLOTH.

2,000 Succatoons Two thousand peices.
6,000 Betteelaes of 40 Coveds Six thousand peices.
3,000 Ditto of 50 Coveds Three thousand peices.
2,000 Neck cloths 12 and 16 in a stringe Two thousand peices.

Agreed that Toma de Andrad a Topaz be Entertained a Souldier in this Garrison.

Agreed that we write to Fort S^t^. David for One hundred Corge of Blew Sallampores to send to the West Coast.

Ordered that M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster provides the coats and caps they write for from the West Coast.

M^r^. Thomas Frederick Land Customer payes into the R^t^. Honble. United Companys Cash Three hundred Pagod^s^. on Account Land Custom.

M^r^. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Accounts for the month of June last.

M^r^. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Accounts for the month of June.

Agreed that Factors Provissions. wth Stationary ware, be sent to Fort S^t^. David, according to the List Entered after this Consultation.

THO : PITT.
WILL : FRASER.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

LIST OF FACTORS PROVISSIONS TO BE SENT TO FORT S^T^. DAVID WITH STATIONARY WARE VIZ^T^.

	Ch^s^.
4 Chests of Clarrett	1 WhiteWine
2 Ditto black reisons	1 Kismasses.
3 Baggs of Almonds	3 Chests of Rosewater.
1 Chest of Atchar	1 Jarr of Prunellos.
1 Chest of Soft Almonds	½ maund Apricock w^th^out stones
½ maund Apricocks wth stones	½ maund white reisons.
13 lb Prunis and 10 lb Figgs	½ maund Hazlenutts.

26 Ship London S^r^. George Matthews Command^r^. sailed out of this Road for Metchlepatam and Bengall.

Maddapollam Yatch sailed for the New Fort.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 31ST

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

M^r^. Addison &c. Freighters of the Nathaniel payes into the R^t^. Honble. United Companys Cash Five thousand Pagodas for the Freight of said Ship to Persia, and

whereas the Supra Cargoe of that Ship did not comply with their Contract in bringing four horses for the Company, 'Tis agreed the Governour writes Mr. Curgenven a Letter to freight the next year four horses hither which he is to pay, and the Company to run ye hazard of their Lives and pay the charge of their meat, or otherwayes we shall expect dammages from him on his arrivall here for breach of Orders.

There being severall Persons here very clamorous upon our refusing acceptance of the West Coast Bills, Capt. Willfred Hart delivers in a Petition on that subject as is Entered after this Consultation.

This day appeared before us severall Merchants to make proposalls about buying the Cloth when Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees appearing to be the best Chapmen 'twas agreed to be sold to them at thirty ℘ Cent advance upon Invoice, reserving Bales for the service of the Company and Presents which if not used we are obliged to deliver them, when they to take it at the same Rate, without exception of Colours to which we tacked Ten chests of Treasure at sixteen and a half Dollars for 10 Pagods. having present occasion for about Forty thousand Pagods. Vizt. To send to Vizagapatam, pay off Debts and carry on the Investment, And the money to be payd Twenty thousand Pagods. the second of next month, Ten dayes after Ten thousand Pagodas more, and the remainder of what the Cloth and Silver shall Amount to, to be pay'd the ultimo next month.

Agreed that thirty five Pagods. be pay'd out of Cash for one years Cawn Cohee Duty.

Ponagetto Narso &c. Tobacco and Beetle farmers payes into Cash Five hundred eighty three Pags. 12 fas: on yt. Account.

Agreed that we send by Bills of Exchange Five thousand Pagodas to Fort St. David.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer payes into Cash One thousand Pagodas, Account sea Custom.

Letter from Mr. Noden at Metchlepatm. datd 14th Inst. now read.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymastr. to defray Charges Garrison.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &c.
COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

Honble Srs.

My case being particular causes this second aplication to your Honr. &c. in which after humbly beging your pardon for the trouble, I crave leave to remonstrate, that notwithstanding the Rt. Honble. Companys orders against paying the West Coast Bills, yet as all accidents cannot be foreseen by the wisest, nor prevented by the ablest Men, The unfortunate condition of Bencoolen by the miscarriage of the Edward and Dudley was such that without a Supply it could not have susbsisted, made me willing to serve the Rt. Honble. Company in a case of soe extream necessity and (with submission) I cannot but observe, that as the Company thought the place worth their support, or they would never have sent Ships and Servants thither: so I could neither answere it to God, their Honours, nor my own conscience, to let that Place be lost to the Company, when it was in my power to have assisted it, I leave it to your Honr &c. better understanding what they or you would have thought of me if I should have refused my poor assistance in so needfull a Juncture.

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The reasons of the Company forbidding ye Payment are (as far as may presume to know) the unjust usage they suppose to have met with from their servants there, on that Account how true I don't pretend to inquire into, only humbly offer this to your Honrs &c. consideration that nothing like yt could happen on my Account, I refusing in my outward bound passage to sell them any Goods on Bills, and Lending them ready money in my return to support the Place, which they must have abandond and in which I could have no sinnister ends ; so that I hope what was sincerely intended and out of no other design then to show I endeavoured to meritt the Rt Honble Companys Protection, will recom'd me to your Honr &c. that you will take my case into your particular consideration, and not let me be ruin'd by my Owners, who presses hard upon me, for a peice of service so well mean't (as being done without their orders) and of which your Honrs &c. is much more sensible then I can make you by any thing I can write or say, I throw myself wholy upon your Honrs &c. Goodness, trusting I shall not be a sufferer I am

Your Honr &c. most Obedient
humble Servant
Wilfred Hart.

Fort St. George,
July 28th. 1707.

31. Ship John and Elizabeth Capt. Reed Commander arrived in this road from England.

— Ship Devaumon bound to Bengall.

August p.mo. St. David Capt. Heaton sailed [. . .]

Ship [Prosperous . . .] saild [. . .]

2d. Govr. recd. news of the battle between Seid-Allum and Cassim Shaw.

3d. Ship St. George Capt. Goodman arriv'd from England.

At a Consultation

Present

Wednesday 6th.

Thomas Pitt Esqr.	Governr. President.
William Fraser.	Matthew Empson.
William Martin.	Robert Raworth.
Thomas Frederick.	Richard Hunt.

Mr. Alexander Bennet who came on the Dutchess from England, being designed as a Writer to Bengall, 'Tis agreed he remains here being willing thereto, for that we have occasion for him.

Mr. Beauvoir was this day before us to offer his Ship Anne to take in Goods on Freight of ye Compas for the West Coast, being bound to Borneo, we told him we had about One hundred Tons Salt Petre, & One Hundred Bales of Callicoes to send thither, & [some] Stores, for the Salt Petre would give him [Three] Rupess a bagg, and for Bale Goods according to Custom, but he insisting on more for the Peter [&] was desired to consider of it till next Consultation day.

This day Sunca Rama Iaupa Chittee Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees were before us to discourse on Termes for an Investment, but not Agreeing any thing 'twas deferred to our next meeting.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sends for ashore the two Chests of Gold and Silver thread on board Ship Dutchess.

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Mr. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper payes into the Rt Honble United Companys Cash Twenty thousand Pagodas, being what pay'd him by Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees the 2d. Inst and in part of the silver and Broadcloth bought.

Agreed that the Gold and Silver thread received by Ships Howland and Dutchess be sold Forty two ℘ Cent advance upon Invoice.

Agreed that the money at Interest be pay'd off wn due.

Agreed One Thousand Pagods be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Ordered that Francisco de Gruz Topaz be Entertain'd a Souldier for this Garrison, and John de Coast a Souldier for the West Coast.

Ordered that Mr. Matthew Empson Warehousekeepr ships off the thirteen Chests of Rupees now ready, and what more will be so before Ship Dutchess saile.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBr. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 8TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR.	GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

In the Invoice of Silver and Gold Thread there is no mention made of any twist, which upon delivery there was found Ninety ounces, and is of less value then the thread, being only for Europeans service, so 'tis agreed to remain with the Warehousekeepr to dispose of for the most he can get.

We having ordered the Warehousekeeper in our Consultation of the 19th past month to sell Silver at sixteen and a quarter for ten Pagods to such as carry it away and sixteen and a halfe to those that coine it, the latter being impossible to be done by reason the Mint is full of the Companys silver, which occasions that there is no demands for any to be sold. 'Tis therefore agreed that the Warehousekeeper sells what Silver he can at sixteen and a halfe, without any injunction of coining it for otherways the season will be over for to dispose of it.

The Merchants having a List delivered them of the Investment for this year, were again this day before us, who refusing to Joine with one another impeded our making any progress therein; so were appointed to meet tomorrow morning.

This day Mr. Beauvoir was again before us when agreed with him to Freight on his Ship Anne to the West Coast, One hundred Tons of Salt Petre, on ye following termes to be pay'd on delivery thereof three Rupees a bagg, accounting Two Rupees to a Dollar, and if they can't pay it there to give their Bills to yt Amot: on this Presidency at Three Rupees and a quarter ℘ bagg, which is to be pay'd after the rate of Rupees three hundred and fifty for one hundred Pagods. And 'tis farther Agreed that if they proceed thence to Borneo that they are obliged to carry halfe the Salt Petre thither (without any farther consideration then aforementioned) if the Governour and Council there request it. And for Bale Goods we are to pay as accustomary Eight ℘ cent in Specie, and for stores according to the bulk thereof.

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Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customr reads his accot. for July last.

Choultry Custom	232:	30:	60
Rubie Brokers	98:	3:	5
Town Brokers	16:	26:	60
Registring Slaves	4:	24:	0
	352:	12:	45

Generall Lettr from ye Cheif & Council of Vizagapm datd 20th July now read.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

SATURDAY 9TH,

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR.	GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

The Accomptant reads his Journall Parcells of Accots. for the month of June last.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper puts to dyeing Two thousand peices of Longcloth Ordinary to be of a deep Blue, according to the Companys orders.

We this day discoursed Sunca Rama and Iaupa Chittee about the Investment, who would not undertake for any certain Number of Bales, but did say they beleived they should be able to provide Five hundred, and what more they could get they would bring in; upon which we declined any further discourse wth. them for the following reasons: That we know Sunca Rama to be Involved in endless Accounts wth Persons in the Government, which now upon the Revolution 'tis odds but that it brings him into great trouble; And then for Iapau Chittee we think his circumstances so mean as not fit for such an undertaking, besides he did not discharge himself so well last year in a small Investment, so as to incourage us to trust him with a greater; upon which we discoursed Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees, who agreed to provide what possible they could on last year's prizes, but would not be tyed to a certain Amount, and for what Goods we have not bought for some yeares past they now promise to bring Musters as soon as possible, what inclined us to make the Investment with the Two men beforementioned is that they are disingaged from anything to do with the Government, and that they have money at Comand to carry on their business. The List of Goods to be provided here for this years Investment, with the prizes of such Goods now agreed on is as followes.

PEICES.

16,000 LONGCLOTH ordinary Sixteen Thousand Peices.

4,000 DITTO BROWNE Four thousand peices.

2,000 DITTO of a DEEP BLEW Two thousand peices.

No 1.	Long 72co broad 2¼co at Pags	31 : 18 ℘ corge.
2.	Ditto	30·9 ℘ Ditto.
3.	Ditto	29 ℘ Ditto.

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4,000 Longcloth Middling Four thousand Peices.
N° 1. Long 72^{co} broad $2\frac{1}{4}$ at Pag^{s} 38 ꝑ Corge.
2. Ditto . . . . 36 ꝑ Ditto.

2,000 Ditto Fine Two thousand peices.

16,000 Sallampores Ordinary Sixteen thousand peices.

2,000 Ditto Browne Two thousand peices.
N° 1. Long 32^{co} broad $2\frac{1}{8}^{co}$ at Pag^{s} $14{\cdot}18^{fa}$ ꝑ Corge.
2. Ditto . . . . . . 13.18 ꝑ Ditto.

4,000 Ditto Middling Four thousand peices.
N° 1. Long 32^{co} broad $2^{1}{}^{co}$ at Pa. 17 : 18 } prizes since added.
2. Ditto . . . . 16 : 10 }

2000 Sallampores Fine Two thousand peices.
N°. 1. Long 32^{co} broad 2^{1co} at Pag^{s}. 25 ꝑ Corge.
2. Ditto ... ... 23 ꝑ Ditto.

6000 Betteelaes of 40 Cov^{ds}. Six thousand peices $2\frac{1}{8}^{co}$. broad.
N°. 26. at $Pagod^{s}$. 32 : 18^{fa}. ꝑ corge.
25. at . . . 31 : 9 ꝑ Corge.

3000 Ditto of 50 Cov^{ds}. $2\frac{1}{8}$ broad Three thousand peices.
N°. 29. at Pagodas 41 : 9^{fa} : ꝑ Corge.
23. at Pagodas 39 : 9 : ꝑ Ditto.

1000 Ditto Oringall of 12 yards. One Thousand peices.

3000 Ditto Oringall Fine Three thousand peices.

1000 Ditto Strip'd, one and two. One Thousand Peices.

3000 Percallaes Three thousand Peices.

1000 Ditto Fine One thousand peices.

2000 Ginghams Small Two thousand peices.

600 Ditto Large Six hundred peices.

2000 Succatoms Two thousand peices.

2000 Morees $Ordin^{ry}$. Two thousand peices Long 18^{co} : broad $2\frac{1}{2}$.
N°. 1. at $Pagod^{s}$. 19 : ꝑ corge.
2. at $Pagod^{s}$. 17 : 18.
3. . . . 16.

1000 Ditto Fine Long 18^{co}. broad $2\frac{1}{2}^{co}$. One Thousand peices.
N°. 1. at Pagodas 33 : ꝑ corge.
2. . . . 30 : ꝑ Ditto.
3. . . . 27 : ꝑ Ditto.

M^{r}. Thomas Faucett having been out of the $Comp^{s}$. Service some time for want of giving security which he now tenders, so 'tis agreed he be taken in a Factor, and that he succeeds M^{r}. Jennings in the Stewards Employ, and to commence the first of next month.

Tho: Pitt.
M: Empson.
W: Martin.
Rob^{r}. Raworth.
Tho. Frederick.

Ship Dutchess Capt. Raymond $Command^{r}$. saild out of this road for Bengall, by whom sent a Packet to the Council for the United Affairs there. 9.

Ship S^{t}. George Capt. Goodman Com^{r}. saild for Bengall. 12.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 14TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER.	MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK.	RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash for the month of July last Ballance being Pagodas [*Lacuna*].

Thomas [Pitt Esq.] Mintmaster reads his Mint Accot. for the month of July last, and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Two hundred forty four Pagodas twenty nine Fanams for Custom on Gold coined.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of July last Vizt.

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported.	Pa.	2,767 :	52 :	40.
Custom on Grain		552 :	27 :	20.
Anchorage		81 :	— :	—.
	Pags.	3,401 :	23 :	60.

and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Two thousand Pagodas on that Account.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymastrs. Account for the month of July last Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pags.	1,397 :	4 :	—
Charges Dyett and allowances ...		263 :	32 :	—
Stores		57 :	28 :	—
Charges Cattle		29 :	33 :	—
Maddapollam Yatch		13 .	31 :	—
Charges Generall		287 :	28 :	—
Fortifications and repairs		48 :	17 :	—
	Pagods.	2,078 :	29 :	—

Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of July last.

Agreed that Twenty thousand Pagodas be sent to Fort St. David by Peons overland, and that we write thither to have their Peons meet them at Conimeer.

Mr. Gulston Addison delivers in a Petition, appealing from a Judgement of the Mayors Court about a Dividend of the effects of Mr. Juxon, amongst his Creditors, agreed that it be heard on Tuesday next, and Notice given to all Partyes concerned in the same.

The Governour acquaints the Council that on the 12th at night some disaffected persons to the Governmt. had placed Papers on the Stones sett up in the Patta[s] which stinted the Bounds of the Left hand Cast, as ⅌ Consultation the 17th past month, which Papers were wrott in the Mallabar Language, and now produced, the Translate of which is as Entered after this Consultation; they also lade at the foot of ye stone a Sort of an Inchantment as is esteemed in this Country peices of sculls with Rice and other mixtures. From the Translate of the Paper is easily to be inferred that some Europeans have had a hand in it, there being expressions that these people are wholly strangers to; of which we having considered are come to the following result, that a paper be fixed on each stone in all Languages, as also on the Gates in the English & Black Town, that if any Person shall come in and informe us of what person or Persons have fixed the aforementioned paper on those Pillars they shall

have One hundred Pagodas reward, and his pardon if concern'd therein, The heads of the Right hand Cast were sent for before us, who being charged with having a hand in writing these papers, which they denyed ; Agreed that a months time be given them to find out the Person or persons who wrott them, and if they don't, they are to be fined such a sum of money as the Governour and Council think fit, and this they were acquainted with.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^t^. David dated 8th and 9th Instant now read.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sends to washing the Brown cloth received from Fort S^t^. David.

THO : PITT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship Resolution Capt. Hart Comandr. saild for Fort St. David. 14TH.

The following Paper was put on the Stones in the street given to the Left hand Cast.

Since the foundation of this City no such thing has been knowne ; by the Authority of the Government and Prevalence of money this Pillar was erected, in contempt and Derision of the right hand Cast, who will forfeit the Right of their Cast, if they do not destroy the others like Doggs, and tumble them down, if it be demanded by whose order this was written, it is by the Will of the King of England, and the Company who will not faile to bring these things to Pass, and this is by way of caution.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. FRIDAY 15TH.

WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Doctr. Bulkly having a Chest of Physick for sale, which came out of England consigned to him, who offers to sell it at Twenty five ℔ Cent advance upon Invoice, and we wanting one for Fort St. David : Orderd that the Paymaster payes for the same, and send it thither by the first opportunity.

MR. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Twenty thousand Pagods. for Silver sold.

This day Collaway and Vinkettee Chittee were bef [ore] us, when we made the prizes of the following Goods :

Sallampores Midling :—No. 1 :	Pagods : 17 :	fa 18	℔ corge
2 . . .	16 :	10	

Ordered that Manuel de Mount a Topaz be Entertaind a Souldier in this Garrison.

THO : PITT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY [19TH.]

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.
WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.
THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

We heard this day the Appeal from the Mayors Court between Mr. Juxon and his Creditors, wch Court tho' they found the aforesaid Juxon insolvent, and not near able to pay his Debts, they adjudged a certain proportion to pay Persons that sent Adventures by him, and the remainder to pay what he tooke up at Bottomrey, which not being an equall proportion is the Ground of the Appeal; so having perused the Statute *Anno Vicessimo Primo Facobi Regis*, which Directs all Bankrupts Estates to be ratetably divided we came to the following resolution; First That Mr. Juxon gives his oath to the Account of what he owes and what is owing to him in any part of the world and on any part of the world and on any account whatever. Secondly That the Ship Morning Starr which is sold whereof there was three Owners and Mr. Juxon one Third, which Amot. is hereby ordered to be annexed to the sum to be divided among [his Creditors], and that what Goods came on her [was despatch]ed to Messrs. Addison & Gostle[n] that [whatever com]mission be pay'd thereon if not already charged in account, 3dly That Mr. Juxons Creditors choose two Persons or more as they think fitt, to receive the money [out] of the Mayo[rs] Court, and to pay every Creditor [his] proportion accordingly; and we do hereby further order that Mr. Juxon makes a Legall conveyhan[ce] of all Debts standing out due to him, to the aforesaid Trustees chosen by his Creditors, and when that they are [sa]tisfyed that he has honestly and faithfully perf[ormed] what before ordered that then his Creditors, or the Trustees for them give him a Generall discharge.

The Governour acquaints the board that on Sunday last being the 17th. Instant that the Right hand Cast with a Wedding went in great Pomp throw the Street, which was ordered lately by the Governour and Council for the Wedding of the left hand Cast, and that upon hearing of which, he [sent] out a Party of Souldiers, who seizd Nineteen of [them] who are now in Prison on the Choultry, who he resolves to punish and m[ake] examples.

The Right hand Cast came to the Fort this day in a considerable Body, and delivered in a Petition as [Entd.] after this Consultation with the heads of which we had a long debate, and what they say'd, tended as well as the pur[port of] their Petition, for us to retract what [. . .], and that we would give up the Lef[t hand Cast and Sacri]fyes to them.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Account of the Black Town Wall and works for month July last.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated 15th. Instant now read.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT.
HONBLE UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA
COMPANY ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL
AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE &C.
COUNCIL.

The Petition of the eighteen sorts of people of the Right Hand Casts belonging to Chinapatam.

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Humbly Sheweth.

Whereas upon the first settlement of the English in this place, the liberty was Granted to Your Petitioners Casts to have their streets and habitations from Tom Clarkes Gate and the Bridge Gate both within and without [and the Left] hand Cast was Granted from Mud Point Gate, both within and without; ye Two Streets which was kept and observed by each [Cast] till broaken by the troubles which happend to the ffrench at S^t. Thoma, at which time severall people retired hither, and without knowledge or permission from the Government built their houses one amongst another in both the Pattas, which being complained of to S^r. William Langhorn, and the ill Effects of the falling out of the two Casts being taken into consideration; was ordered that they should not live together, but that ye Right hand people should goe to the place that was first Granted them to Inhabit, and the Left hand people to theirs; Accordingly to which order the right hand people did obey, and likewise some of the Left hand people, but others did desire leave to stay till the Raines [was] over, which was Granted but after to retire to their own Streets, which to this day they have not done; but rather have incroached more upon your Petitioners liberty.

Likewise the Weddings that was made by the left hand people that lived amongst your Petitioners was ordered to [be] kept alwayes in their own Streets; but if [it] happen'd that they did not make any Weddings in your Petitioners Streets it was to be done privately in the[ir] own houses, without any musick or any such seremony. But they now very unreasonable desire your Petitioners streets, which never was done before, and they having complained to your Hon^r but upon what Account or reason [we do not kn]owe: Now the Streets wherein the Stones are Erected there are about one hundred of your Petitioners Houses, and severall Wells, Churches, Gardens and Choultrys, all which belong to your Petitioners the Right hand people, being very many, being Twenty one Casts of in all of these People, we cannot tell every ones [mind] the Country People have sent Letters to us, but what they can do for us we do not know; we all liveing under your Hon^rs Protection, are affraid to disoblige yor Hon^r therefore stay quiet; from the beginning of the World [to] this day it never was knowne that any Government did take away your Petitioners streets and give them to the left hand Casts people, which they know to be true. Now they having made many false complaints to yor Honour, which is the occasion of all this trouble for the Streets where the Stones are Erected are the first streets of the Right hand Casts for all strangers that come from the Country, for these Streets that your Hon^r. has given to the Left hand Casts is a very great dissatisfaction to all the Right hand Cast people, Therefore your most humble Petitioners desire your Hon^r would be pleased to take into, and they shall as in Duty bound.

Ever Pray.

Ship Morud Bux sailed out of this Road for Tenassaree. 20TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 20TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM FRASER. MATTHEW EMPSON.

WILLIAM MARTIN. ROBERT RAWORTH.

THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

The Governour having often spoake to M^r. Raworth for the New Companys Papers and Accounts, who have been alwayes answered that he could not get them from M^r. Fraser, who this day has promissed to deliver them.

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The Governour acquaints the board that most of the Right hand Cast were gone out of Town disliking what we have done in point of Justice to the left hand Cast.

Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees were before us this day of whom we demanded what progress they have made in the Investment, who acquainted us that the difference between them and the Right hand Cast was more upon Account of their making the Investm^t. for the Comp^a. then that of the Streets, & till these disputes were over nothing co^d. be done, & then to for their parts they desired to be excused.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

21st. Briggantine Endeavour Capt. Hart Comand^r. arrived in this Road from Battavia.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 22ND.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. MATTHEW EMPSON.
THOMAS FREDERICK. ROBERT RAWORTH.
RICHARD HUNT.

The foregoing Consultations of Late mentions severall passages relating to the Right hand Cast, and Left, of the former many have deserted us, and the others have locked themselves up in their houses in Town, which cheifly consisting of Boatmen, Washermen, Fishermen &c necessary handicrafts, which occasioned the Governour to sum̃on all his Council except M^r. Fraser, who he was jealouse had betrayed us in what we had done, as to settling the dispute between the Casts, and gave us this Instance of it that when on the 19th past he acquainted the board of the Insolence of the Parriars who went throw the left hand Street with a Wedding, and what he had done thereon, w^n. immediately M^r. Fraser according to his Custom made a long senceless speech, the purport showing that he was now against what had been Transacted in Consultation [with] the Casts, which no notice was taken of, as coming from him but then the next minute the Right hand Cast delivered in their Petition which was presently read, & intirely agreed with the purport of what just before Fraser spoake, when the Governour immediatly charged him with making or reading of it, which he then denyed in great confusion, and the same was taken notice of by Messrs. Raworth and Frederick present in Council so the Govr. this day laying before the board the worst of consequences that might attend the Companys Affairs, as well as our own Persons, to have one amongst us to betray our Counsells, of which the Council being equally sensible, desired M^r. Fraser may be sent for, which was accordingly done, when he was charged with what before mentioned, & told by the Governour that it was impossible that he could make a speach so coherent with a Petition that was just after delivered in, without having made, or read it, to which he made no other defence then that we should prove it if we could; The Governour at the same time charged him with directing the Mallabar Inscription that was put upon the Stones, wch. he denyed with strange asseverations and execrations but to the making or reading the Petition only a plain denyall, so after he told us he had no more to say in his defence, the Governour desired him to withdraw, which he refused to do, but afterwards obliged him to it.

When we debated the Nature of his offence, and the ill consequences of any of the Council incourageing Petitions against our Proceedings in Generall, or such in particular as he himself seemingly agreed to, without the least hesitation to any thing that was done relating to the Casts, the Governour to prevent his doing farther mischief prest the necessity of his being suspended the Companys service *ab officio et beneficio*, alledging that no inconveniency could accrue from it, for that his abilitys were so in considerable that all of us know in our conciencys that he never meritted

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Rice and Water from the Company, but yet with his malice, Pride, and Envy, he has often made strange progress in mischeif, and wholy uncapable of doing good; And 'tis not amiss to incert one or two passages thô foreign to this present matter, that some time past, upon a suspicion that there was a difference between the Governour and Mr. Raworth an impudent Dubash that was often trusted with Mr. Frasers whispers, came up to Mr. Raworth in his Chamber, and told him that he heard there was a difference between the Governour and him, and that he treated him as he did others, but if he would stand against him and come and Joine with Mr. Fraser and his party, he was sure they would be able to suppress him, upon wch. Mr. Raworth treated him as became him, by kicking him downstairs: About Five years past here came from Goa a Theatin Padre an Englishman Milton by name, who often passed between this place and Fort St. David, and severall times came to the Governr. pressing for leave to build a Chappell here, or at Fort St. David, which he possitively refused him, considering that the worst of consequences must attend it, or that it would be to the great dislike of the Company to have an English Preist here of the Popish Religion, for that being such he ought to dye by our Law, yet nevertheless one Joseph Hiller a great consort of Mr. Fraser bought a peice of Ground here (without any leave or knowledge of the Governour) for Milton on which he immediatly erected a fabrick, after the modell of a Convent, and had made considerable progress therein before the Governour (who was going to the Garden one morning) knew anything of it, wn. he immediatly sent for Padre Milton, and demanded of him how he came by that Ground, and who gave him leave to build on it, who answered Mr. Hiller bought it for him, upon which the Governour ordered him immediatly to desist from building, and by six at night to depart the place, which he accordingly did to St. Thoma, where a little time after Mr. Fraser and others went to Dinner with him, and has often been seen conversing with him at that end of the Town, and thus whenever the Governour has fround upon any one for crimes or misdemeanours, whether whitemen or Black; Tis well known they were alwayes cherished by Mr. Fraser, who has been the Pest of the Government, as well as redicule, and scum of the Place. Yet notwithstanding all before mentioned is well known to be great truths to every man that sitts at the board who desired the Governour to leave him out in the sorting summons for that he was so impurtinant and troublesome that no business could be done; yet they were Generally unwilling to suspend him the service till the Governour solemnly averred that he would sitt no more with him in Counsel, nor give his opinion in any affairs more of the Company where he was present which induced the Council unanimously to agree to suspend him the Companys service *officio et beneficio* till their pleasure was knowne in this matter, which the Secretary is ordered to acquaint him therewith, and that we will give him a Copy of what we writ home to the Company relating to him, that so his defence and answere may goe therewith.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBr. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. MONDAY 25TH.
WILLIAM MARTIN. MATTHEW EMPSON.
THOMAS FREDERICK. ROBERT RAWORTH.
RICHARD HUNT.

This morning early the Governour summoned Twelve of the Principall of the Heads of each Cast, who were shut up in a Roome to adjust matters now in dispute between the Casts, which they acquainted him about noone they had done, upon

which at Four this afternoone the Council was summoned when the Number of each Cast appeared, when unanimously and in a most Solemn manner declared they had Agreed on the following Termes. First that none but the Right hand Cast should live in the Patta comonly called the Peddeneagues Patta, Secondly That the Patta called Mootell Patta should be Inhabited by none but the Left hand Cast.

Thirdly. That whereas there are a great many of the Left hand Cast in the Peddeneagues Patta, and so likewise of the Right hand Cast in Mootell Patta, 'tis agreed that each Cast comm[ence] removeing their Houses on or before the first of December to their respective Pattas beforementioned, and that the same be all compleated on, or before the first of June One Thousand seven hundred and eight and if any that have Houses in either of the Pattas can Agree upon the Sale or Exchange thereof they are at liberty to do it, or pull down and carry the materialls to ye Patta appointed for them to live in.

Fourthly. That no Weddings by either Casts shall be made in the Streets in the Peddeneagues Patta lately in dispute between them till that Patta be wholy Inhabited by the Right hand Cast.

Fifthly. That in Mootell Patta they shall keep their Weddings there according to Custom, till the Right hand Cast are removed out of it.

Sixthly. That in neither of their Pattas beforementioned no one shall sell his House, but to one of his own Cast.

Seventhly. That whereas there are Boatmen, Laskars, & Fishermen that have their houses by the Sea syde in Mootell Patta, 'tis Agreed they remaine there as they now are, wth out giving any molestation to the Left hand Cast.

Eigthly. And as we ordered in Consultation of the 17th July Stones to be Erected for stinting the Limitts of the Left hand Cast making their Weddings in the Peddeneagues Patta and a sutable Inscription thereon, We do now at the request of both Casts Agree that the inscription be cutt out, but the stones remaine for such inscriptions to be made on y^m as the Governour and Council shall think fit her[eafter].

To all the foregoing Articles the Governour and Council do now Agree; with which the Right hand Cast are ordered to acquaint their people that are now withdrawn that they returne to their obedience without further delay, which they readily promise to doe.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

25TH. Ship Charlton Capt Oldham Com^r arrived this day in the Road from Battavia, when M^r. Carey Supra Cargoe of said Ship came ashore he acquainted the Governour that before he left Battavia there was arrived Blenheim and Carlton *(Lacuna)* from Banjar from whence the whole Factory was come, being beat off by the Natives, who attack'd them at break of day with severall thousand; they also boarded the Ships, but were obliged to quitt them, they had lost about twenty five Europeans, but sayd they had kild severall Hundreds of the Natives.

AT A CONSULTATION
Present

WEDNESDAY 27TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R & PRESIDENT.
WILLIAM MARTIN. MATTHEW EMPSON.
THOMAS FREDERICK. ROBERT RAWORTH.
RICHARD HUNT.

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The President as Mintmaster reports that the sixty four Chests of Treasure delivered into the Mint to be coined will be compleated this night; and that the six Chests taken ashore from the Dutchess be sent down in Dollars which by Reasons of the raines we have had, and the troubles about the Casts they could not compleat it; Ordered that the Warehousekeeper to Load the Rupees and Treasure on board the Howland, who is to be dispatched forthwith.

M^r^. William Martin Sea Customer payes into the R^t^ Honble United Companys Cash Two thousand Pagodas on Account Sea Customs.

Notwithstanding that all matters seem to be soe fairly adjusted before us on the 25th past between the two Casts, we have seen no good effect of it by the people returning to their duty, so the Governours ordered this day to be brought before him in Council Suraupau, Naira Verona, Sunca Ramma, and Andee Chittee, and charged them as Chief Instruments in raising the present rebellion, and the information of which he had had from one of their own Cast, who was in the Conspiracy, who say'd they had a great difficulty to stur up the Poor handicrafts, and that the Parriars who are the most numerous refused to sturr unless they sent with them one of their heads of the Cast with One Thousand Pagod^s^ to pay their subsistence, which they accordingly complyed with, & the Governour was informed who had contributed thereto, and when they proposed it to the Boatmen, Washermen, and Fishermen they likewise refused, saying they would not leave the livelyhood they for an uncertainty, but with much perswation they prevaild with them, upon giving them a Note under their hands that they would pay them in proportion for the dayes they were absent according to what they usually got here, and that they would allow Batty, or subsistance money to all that should desert us, of which the Governour had daily intelligence from S^t^. Thoma was pay'd them, they denyed all knowing that whoever of their Cast came in against them as an Evidance was in no small danger of their life, so the aforementioned Prisoners the Governour ordered to be kept in safe custody and used sutable to their Crimes.

The Sea Customer reporting that there is a Chest in the Sea Gate Godown belonging to M^r^. Hall Late Doct^r^. Mate of the Place, who went home on Ship Queen; Ordered that Messrs. Martin and Raworth do open the same, and sell at Public Outcry w^t^ found therein, and the Amount brought into the Companys Cash.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^.	GOVERN^R^ & PRESIDENT.	
MATTHEW EMPSON.	ROBERT RAWORTH.	FRIDAY 29TH.
WILLIAM MARTIN.	RICHARD HUNT.	
THOMAS FREDERICK.		

This day were before us Surapau, Naira Verona, Sunca Rama and Andee Chittee of the Right hand Cast, Collaway Chittee, Vinkettee Chittee, Petombee Chittee and Cornapau Chittee [of] the left hand Cast, when having a Braminy present, they swore to be true to the Companys Interest, and to lay aside all annimositys between them relating to their Casts, or any other dispute, and that they would use their utmost Interest to compose the present differences on that Account, as also to

stand by the Agreement made in Consultation the 25th Instant, and for the Security of Suraupau etc. four of the Right hand Cast, the Pedeneague and ten Cuomitys were bound for their personall appearance.

The Governour acquainting that none that had deserted were come in since the Agreement between the two Casts, which he imputed to their fear as well as shame, so advised that a Paper might be published in the nature of a Generall Pardon, which he now produced, and was read, and accordingly agreed thereto, and ordered to be set up on the Gates and Mettows in Gentue * and Mallabarr, and one in English at the Sea Gate, and is as Entered after this Consultation.

Generall Letter from Capt. Harrison at Battavia datd 25th July last now read.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

WHEREAS some wicked and ill designing people of the Right hand Cast, seduced by others as wicked in the Government, have went about for some sinister ends, to make an insurection and Rebellion in this Government, and the better to effect their hellish designs, have deluded the Poor and Ignorant with a false Notion that we the Governour and Council had favoured the left hand cast in prejudice to theirs; Whereas nothing was done by us, but by the Advice and consent of the Principall of their heads, and since this dispute has happen'd, matters have been throughly canvassed by twelve of each heads of the Cast, and all differences adjusted and finally ended before us in Council. Nevertheless we hear that some people are still [brood]ing on their ill designs to disturbe the peace and tranquility of the Government, which induces us to publish this our Orders and Intentions.

That whereas we have allwayes showed great tenderness of the wellfare of our Inhabitants and tooke speciall care to provide for the Poor and Labouring people, [some] three or four of the Rich and Crafty have imposed upon [us] so as to make 'em desert us, and to terrifye 'em from returning to their duty give out that the Government will punish them sutable to their crimes.

We therefore have thought fitt to publish this our Generall Pardon to all such who have been concerned in this Insurrection, promissing and declaring that such who returne to their Habitations and Duty on or before the Tenth of September next are pardon'd hereby to all intents and purposes, as if they had not been concerned therein, & such as does not comply herewith, their houses & Estates shall be seizd for the Companys use, and their Persons when and whereever apprehended within the Companys Jurisdiction shall be proceeded against with the utmost Rigour, and more particularly such who shall after the Date hereof contribute any money or otherwise towards the upholding maintaining or Employing any that shall not come in by the time herein limited.

Sealed with the Companys Seal and Dated at Fort St. George this Twenty ninth day of August One Thousand seven hundred and seven.

29. Ship Howland Capt. Cooke Commander sailed out of this Road by whom sent a Packet for the United Council in Bengall.

30. Ship Mahomudee sailed for Quedah.

SEPTEMBER PMO. Ship Chindadre bound to Juncksalone.

Ship Jemmy Capt. Hamilton Comr. arrived from Carwarr.

* Language of the Telugu-Speaking Hindus, *Hobson-Jobson*, page 367.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 3RD.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. AND PRESIDENT.

MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.

ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash for the month of August last Ballance Pagods [*Lacuna*].

Peter de Pomera &c Arrack Farmer payes into the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash Five hundred Pagods. on yt. Accot.

Mr. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of July last.

Mr. Richard Hunt reads the Account adjustments between the Two Companys which appeared to be charged as agreed in the Quinquepartite Indenture ; yet nevertheless, 'tis ordered the Account be reexamined and stated a part to be sent by the January Ships.

Agreed that One Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Ordered that Belshore de Silvia, Antony Fonseake, Nichola Gaveam, Anthony Bastion are Entertained Souldiers in this Garrison.

Agreed that Twenty thousand Pagods. be sent by Peons overland to Fort St. David.

THO : PITT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship Morning Starr Capt. William Weed Comander sailed out of this Road for Bencoolen. 6.

Ship Good Fortune sailed out of this Road for Pegue.

Ship Mary Capt. Cornwall Comandr. arrived this morning from Moco, and brought the misserable news that the Riseing Eagle Captain Chamberlain, and the Essex were taken by a Pyrate two dayes after they sailed from thence they came out in Company with the Companys Ship the Bombay Merchant Capt. Jago Comander, Riseing Eagle Captain Chamberlain, the Essex Capt. Punt, Unity Captain Greenhaugh, the Pyrate was a Briggantine of 4, or 6 Guns and supposed to have 40: or 50 men, no sooner did the Pyrate board Chamberlain, but the Bombay Merchant Capt. Jago sett saile and run, and the rest followed his Example tho' they before promissed to live and dye by each other. 7.

Ship John and Elizabeth Capt. Reid sailed for Bengall.

Ship Jemmy Capt. Hamilton sailed for Ditto. 8.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 10TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.

MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.

ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

RICHARD HUNT.

The Governour summoned the Council to acquaint them that he was just then informed that in the night the stones were stolen away, which were ordered to be

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sett up to stint the bounds of the Left hand Cast, which we considered of and tho' the impudence of the Action deserves the strictest inquiry and punishment, and the im̃ediate Erecting others, yet 'twas unanimously agreed that we desist from doing either till these troubles are over, tho' obliged the Peddeneague to give Twenty thousand Pagodas security for his personall appearance who must doubtless have a hand in it, or at least knowes of the taking away the Stones.

Those of the Right hand Cast that have deserted, retireing to St. Thoma, have sent for the heads of their Cast out of the Country, who wrott us this day a most saucy and impudent Letter the Translate of which is as Entered after this Consultation, wherein is a clause that they site former Consultations, which is plaine indication that some of our people had the pening of that Letter, and tho' they Quote it as a Precedent for us, 'tis a sign they don't understand it, we having Acted in this matter exactly according to that clause.

Tho: Pitt.
M: Empson.
W. Martin.
Robt. Raworth.
Tho: Frederick.

From Dellaway Donnepaulo Chittee
&c., Right hand Cast, of the four corners
and Fifty six Countrys of the world to
the Honble Thomas Pitt Esqr. &c Council

From the first foundation of Madrass 'twas never known that the Left hand cast, should be adhered to by wrongly informing your Honr. &c to the prejudice of the Right hand Cast, upon whose assertions you have Erected stones in our Streets, and given the same from us, concerning which an address was made to your Honr. by way of Petitions upon perusall whereof you directed that your Petitioners were at liberty to stay or goe where they pleased, which you repeated three times, accordingly they came to St. Thoma, from whom they wrott your Honr. &c., we hearing these matters are come hither.

From the beginning of the world it was never before known that the Left hand in the fifty Six Countrys thereof, ever Erected a stone in the Right hand street, nor was it ever allowed by any Government.

One of your Predecessors with Timmana and Viran did appoint certain streets for the Left hand Cast, and directed how they should act, as upon your Consultation Booke does appear, upon examination whereof advantage [would] accrue to the Company, which you have hitherto omitted to doe.

From your first settlement Justice and equity has [been] distributed with an equall hand in your place, which has occasioned many to resort to you, and to increase in wealth under your Protection, but upon this occasion of Erect[ing] the stones we must have recourse to the Customs of the Countrys, this we write to a Charitable people, who we [know] will observe the same.

From September 4th 1707.

11. Ship Donne Latchme sailed for Pegue.
Ship Mooshahee Malcawn bound for Ditto.
Ship Bon Voyageo sailed for Pegue.

12. Ship Boomrapaun Abdulla Cawde Nockeda sailed for Pegue.

13. Ship Charlton Capt. Oldham Comandr. sailed for Pegue.
Ship Annapurna belonging to Laulachund bound to Rackan.

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Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[r]. GOVERN[r]. AND PRESIDENT. SATURDAY 13TH.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

The Governour acquaints the board that he had confined M[r]. John Rogers for stealing of Papers out of the Secretarys office, which were put in a Press and averred by the Secretary had not been open'd this eight months' and y[t] it now had been broake open, which the Council wants to view, and confirmed the same, there being all viseable signs of it; Rogers at last confest so farr that he found the Press open, when he tooke out the Anjengo Letters in severall of which was mentioned one Maxwell that lived then with the Dutch at Cutcheen, and is now here (with whom Rogers lately fought a Duell, when Maxwell gave him his Life) whole 'tis say'd in the Letters to have corresponded and Vissetted the Pyrats when they were at Cutcheen, the Copys of the Letters the Governour found upon him, which he had indorsed exactly as the Original were, and counterfitted the hands of those that Entered them into the Letter Booke; we demanded of him to what end did he take the Copys of those Letters, who answered to prosecute him before the Governour and Council, tho' we beleive his design was to carry them for England, he not knowing the Company had them sent many yeares since. M[r]. Maxwell came hither in the begining of June from Suratt, with a recommendatory Letter from S[r]. John Gayer to the Governour when he charged him wth what had been formerly wrott of him in those Letters from Anjengo, to which he replyed that he never went on board of them, conversed with them or negotiated any affair, but with the possitive order of the Governour of Cutcheen, and we having no proof thereof concerned ourselves no farther therein; for which hainous crime we continued the confinement of Rogers to y[e] Ensigns roome, till we had thoughts of a sutable punishment for him.

M[r]. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper payes into the R[t] Hon[ble] Companys Cash Twenty thousand Pagod[s]. for silver sold.

M[r]. Martin Sea Customer payes into the Hon[ble] Companys Cash One Thousand Pagod[s]. on—Account Sea Custom.

Agreed that Five hundred Pag[s]. be advanced M[r]. Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Ordered the Steward buys up three hundred Hoggs to salt up, in the month of December.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

The Armenians, Persians and Pattans, perceiving that the Governour and Council was not fairly dealt with in this dispute between the Casts, and that the Persons who are employ'd and confided in to accommodate it, are of the Right hand Cast, all of whom had been either active or passive in raising this difference, and knowing we had no other they came in a Body of Fifty or Sixty and tendered their service, when the Governour summoned what of the Council were to be found; when we accepted of their service and mediation, who promissed to morrow to goe some of them to S[t]. Thoma (to which place the Right hand Cast have retired and sent for several of their heads out of the Country, who are come to them) and take with him Narrain our Braminy and Mulla*, when they will demand of them the reasons of their desertion, and accommodate matters as well as they can, and as soon as possible. 14.

* A learned man, a teacher, a doctor of the law, see 'Moolah', page 572, *Hobson-Jobson.*

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15TH. The Governour with the Secretary being writing a Generall Letter to the Company in the Consultation Roome, there came a Gusbardar or Messenger to him from St. Thoma, who was sent by the Nabob to turne out the old Governour there and put in a new one; He had been here two or three times before, and seemed to be concerned at the troubles we had about the Casts, which he say'd was frequent in ye Country, and some time grew to such a pitch that the Government found a great deal of trouble and difficult to quell them, and say'd by some discourse he had had with them he found them very impudent and saucy, and that the source of our troubles was not from them in the St. Thoma, but from our own Inhabitants that remain'd in Town, who not only gave them directions, but also sent them their subsistance, he also added saying to the Governour you are likewise betrayed by some people that sitts with you at this Table; so asking him by the Linguist what he meant, he answered that yesterday talking with three or four of the heads of the Casts, they told him that the Second was of their syde, and that without he was restored to his Employ they would not returne on any termes, but if he would come they would meet him any where, and returne with him without insisting on, any Pardon, for that they were assured he was their freind, and that he never consented to what the Governour and Council had done in favour of the Left hand Cast, and that he was against putting up the Stones, which beleive in them had gained him such a reputution amongst the Mobb that they went up and down the streets, in his hearing crying out Chinne Captain, Chinne Captain, which implyes in their language the Second, on which the Governour asked him whether he had heard such discourse more then once from the heads of the Cast, he answered him three or four times, and the Mobb crying out as before mentioned, upon which the Governour told him that in the evening there would be severall of his people there to talk to them, when he desired him to averr, wt. he had now told him before the heads of the Casts to wch. he readily answered he would; This Man seem'd to be a very Sober, judicious Person, a stranger in these parts of the Country, and could have no manner of Interest in saying what he did, there was present at this discourse the Secretary whom the Governour ordered to take minutes, and for Linguist was present ye. Mulla Narrain, and Paupiha Braminy, who all averred that whereas they had been severall times at St. Thoma about this business, they had often heard the Mobb cry out for the Chinne Captain.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 16TH. THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.

MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.

ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

RICHARD HUNT.

The Governour summoned this Counsell, when he reported to them what discourse he had with the Gusbardar as Entered in a Diary Note of yesterday; in the presence of the Secretary, Mulla, Narrain, and Paupiha Braminy, who all confirmed the same. The three latter now acquaint us that yesterday in the afternoone they accompanyed severall of the Persians and Armenians to St. Thoma in order to accommodate this difference between the Casts, who were stoped by the Mobb at the Gate whilst they sent in word to their heads for admittance, where they continued near two hours, and received no answere but severall affronts, and whilst there heard the Mobb cry out as the Gusbardar told us for the Chinne Captain, who asked Narrain and severall of our people why did he not come, for nothing could be done towards their returne without him. The heads of the Right hand Cast at St. Thoma wrott severall Letters to those of their Cast that remaine here, threatening their lives and being turned out of their Cast if they did not come to them, this much intimmadated the poor people, but for those of any substance little regarded it, since that we kept so good guards to defend them from their threats, and what is to be observed and

generally beleived that all the people that have left us are not worth six thousand Pagod^s. Narrain likewise acquainted us that all the heads of the Right hand Cast remaining in Town, mett last night and wrott a Letter to our Inhabitants of their Cast in S^t. Thoma, the purport of which was to let them know they were satisfyed in all matters relating to their Cast, and therefore what ever ill consequences attend farther disputes they cleared themselves of it, and lay'd it wholy at their Doors; the messenger just now arriving was brought in before us, w^ho acquainted us that they had returned no answere to their Cast in writing, but bid him tell them that they would accept no other Cowle then what signed by M^r. Fraser and that the stones must be brought to S^t. Thoma, or put into the Pagoda, we were also at this time speaking of a report that had run about Town for two or three dayes, that the Casts were rose one against another in the same manner at Fort S^t. David where severall had been kil'd, amongst which four or five of our Souldiers and an officer mortally wounded, the Governour say'd he beleived it not tho' he had heard of it, M^r. Frederick say'd he had heard it from severall but being also told it by his Dubash, who say'd he had it told him from M^r. Frasers Dubash, who was sent for, when denyed it, but the other confronting him with naming the time and place, where and when he told it him, caused the Governour to give Credit to it, and punished him immediatly for spreading false reports, and this was done to incourage the Right hand Cast, & doubtless by order of his Master, or some of his accomplises whose chief Dubash one Jango and crafty Profligate Villain is actually now at S^t. Thoma, herding with y^e. Right hand Cast and in all their Counsells, so hearing all before mentioned in this days Consultation and what passed yesterday with the Gusbardar rivetts in us a beleive that the Right hand Cast has got M^r. Fraser among them for their toole, or they durst not have adventured to have done what they have, so considering that if his quarrell betweenthem increases 'twill be an unspe[ak]able prejudice to the Company, and an effectuall ruin to the place, and yet to agree to their insolent and saucy demands may in futurity be attended with the like ill consequences; To prevent all which't was agreed to send for M^r. Fraser when the Governour charged him wth what before mentioned, and telling him from which [it] were sufficiently confirmed that he was at the head of this vile and base action which occasioned the dispute between the Casts that no less then threatened the distruction of the Place, to which he answered 'twas all a grand suppose, and flatly denyed all; so being order'd to withdraw, we considered of the whole matter, when 'twas unanimously agreed that M^r. Fraser who is now removeing out of his Lodgings in the Fort, to a house in the Town, that he be continued therein and confined without permitting any one to come to discourse him, but in the presence of the Centinall, the Captain of [the] Guard was sent for, to whom the Governour gave a charge accordingly.

M^r. Wil^m. Martin Sea Customer reads his sea Custom Acco^t. for August.

M^r. Thom^s. Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Acc^t. for August last, and payes into Cash Five hundred Pagod^s. on that Acco^t.

THO: PITT.
M. EMPSON.
W. MARTIN.
[RICH^D. HUNT].
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

The Greyhound Sloop Capt^t. Jones Comand^r. arrived in this Road from York Fort, by whom we had a Generall Letter from the Governour and Council of that Place. 16.

The Callicutt Sloop M^r. Collins Master arrived from Bengall.

Ship Hopewell Captain Sandys arrived in this Road from Bengall by whom received a Packet from the Council for the United Affairs there dated 8th August 22.

1707 inclosing their Journal Parcells and Account Currant comencing [. . .] 1706 ending Ult^{o}. April 1707. He called at Vizagapatam a Packet from the Chief and Council there.

22. Received ℔ Tappyes a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dat^{d}. 19th Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 23RD.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Sea Customer producing a List of what is in the Sea Gate Godown the owners of which are unknown; Ordered that a Note be fixed on the Gates giving notice that if no body ownes them in a months time they'l be sold y Publick Outcry.

M^{r}. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of August last. Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	Pag^{s}. 1428 :	4 :—
Charges Dyett and allowances	254 :	13 :—
Stores	48 :	30 :—
Charges Cattle	43 :	21 :—
Charges Extraordinary	1 :	20 :—
Charges Generall	316 :	2 :—
Fortifications and repairs	70 :	9 :—
Fort S^{t}. David	16 :	—:—
Pagod^{s}. ..	2240 :	27 :—

M^{r}. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of August last.

M^{r}. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of August last.

The ffollowing Generall Letters received were now read.

From the Govern^{r}. and Council of York Fort dat^{d} 11th Augt. 1707.

ffrom the Dep^{ty}. Govr. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David 22^{d}. Sepr. 1707.

From Bengall dated 8th August 1707.

M^{r}. John Rogers in a Petition acknowledging his crime, and beging Pardon upon his kneese, upon [which] he was dismissed with a repremand sutable to the hainousness of his Crime, and his Petition Entered after this Consultation.

Generall Letter to the Deputy Govern^{r}. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated this day now read & approved.

The Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David having wrott us in their last Letter that the Merchants are not willing to inlarge the Investment; Tis agreed y^{t}. we write to them to do it if they can with some other Merchants to the Amount of Forty thousand Pag^{s}. and proportion the Sortment to that of Eighty thousand Pagodas and upon the same Termes.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

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To the Honble Thomas Pitt Esqr.

Presid^t. & Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George

&c Council.

Honoured S^{rs}.

The humble Petition of John Rogers

Sheweth.

That your Petitioner unadvisedly has highly incurred your Hon^{rs} &c. Gentlemens displeasure by opening the Press in the Secretarys office, and takeing thence severall papers for which he beggs your Hon^r. &c. Gentlemen will consider must inevitably be his ruin, and suffer him to ask forgiveness on his knees, promiseing never to be guilty of the like again, and as in duty bound he shall ever pray &c.

John Rogers.

The Governour and Council having Granted a Pardon to the Right Hand Cast (who deserted us, and are at S^t. Thoma) being at the request of severall Persians and Armenia[ns] who desired that Doct^r. Lewis and Padre Michæl may goe with them to deliver them the Pardon and accompany them in their returne, who came out of S^t. Thoma all together about Nine this morning, but when they came near the Town, they tooke disgust at something or other the certainty unknown to [us, and] returned again to S^t. Thoma; the Parriars sorrounded the In[ha]bitants, and forced them to goe with them; so Narrain being in hopes of giving them satisfaction went with them who they abused in severall Respects and conf[ined] but was the next day discharged upon a threatening Letter from the Governour that he would fetch him by Force. 23^d.

M^r. John Bennett Supra Cargoe of the Essex who was taken coming from Mocho by the Pyrate, arrived here in a Boat, being put ashore by the Pyrate in the Riseing Eagle (which they tooke) on the Westermost of the Lackedeva Islands, where he bought a small Boat, which carryed him over, and four wounded men to Anjengo. He acquaints us that Capt^t. Chamberlain and his Mate Philips and four or five more were kild, and that that Ship as also his own was lost by the unspeakable Cowardize of the Captain of the Bombay Friggat, his Relation of which from the time he was taken to his arrivall here is as sent [to] the Company in a paper apart.

A Cowle Granted by Thomas Pitt Esqr. Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George &c. Council to the Right hand Cast.

Whereas you deserted us by reason of our giving yor. Streets to the Left hand Cast, which we have again returned to you, and whereas you say we have given a writing to them on that Accompt or any other, we say 'tis forged, and false if ever any such one be produced, therefore you may depend upon this Cowle and returne to your Duty, and enjoye your ancient Priviledges according to Sallabad, giving this before [*a few words lost*] Jesus Christ that we will Religiously performe, and that none shall be punished on this Accompt hereafter. Given under our hands and the [R^t.] Honble. Companys Seal in Fort S^t. George this 22^d. day of September 1707.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & Presid^t. Wednesday 24th.

Matthew Empson William Martin.

Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.

Richard Hunt.

Generall Letter to the Honble Mañagers dated this day now read and approved, and to be sent via Denmark.

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We finding noe likelyhood of puting an end to these troubles between the Casts, for that the insolency of the Parriars daily increases, a particular instance of which we had yesterday by their forceing the Inhabitants to returne and Imprisoning and abuseing Narrain: The Governour proposed the attacking of St. Thoma the 20th at break of day, (where they are harboured) and put as many of them as possible to the sword, but no Inhabitant of any Cast else, which was unanimously agreed to [by] Council, and preparations immediately [made and] accordingly resolving to march Two hundred and fifty Souldiers, two hundred Tallairs and two hundred Peons as also Eighteen hundred [People of] Left hand Cast have raised since the troubles for their security and the Governour disposed matters to effect the same.

Ordered the Warehousekeeper unloads the Yatch, and to fill her up [with] Packing stuff, Medicines, and four Casks of Goa Arrack and returne her again.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated 22d Instant now read.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 25TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

The Preparations being made for Attacking our Par[riars in] St. Thoma to-morrow morning which alarmed [our all] Inhabitants more especially Armenians, Moors [*one line lost*] importuned us to desist, for that many ill consequences would attend it, and that they were sure we could not effect our ends, in cutting off the Parriars; who would certainly Fly into the Country, besides our Peddeneague who prest us to desist from our intended enterprize, saying that the new Governour would be there to night, with whom he was well acquainted, and could prevail with him to turne ym. out of the Town, or else he would be obliged to bring the Governour and Council Twenty or thirty of their heads, so considering the numerous importunityes we deferred our design two or three dayes to see whether milder means would oblige their returne.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

30TH. Ship Frances Capt. Every Comandr. arrived in this Road from Bengall by whom received a Packet from the Council for the United affairs there.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR AND PRESIDENT. TUESDAY 30th

MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAN MARTIN.

ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of August last, and payes in the Ballance being Pags. Fifty thirty one fanams and forty Cash for Custom on Gold.

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 9th Instant now read.

We having desired Mr. St. John Bennett to draw out a Relation of what he had seen or heard amongst the Pyrats to his arrivall, here which he this day delivered in upon oath and was read, a copy of which agreed to be sent the Company by the first Ship, as also Captain Cornwalls and Messrs Stoakes and Greenhaughs.

Agreed one Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Mr. Daniel Chardin delivered in a Petition this day about some money of his payd in at the West Coast into the Companys Cash by leave of the Governour and Council here, as alledged in the Petition, which is part of the Bills amounting to Dollars 54,738. — — lately drawn on us which we refused to pay having the Companys possitive order to pay no more of their Bills. Agreed that the Petition be Entered after this Consultation.

THO : PITT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. : RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS PITT ESQR.
GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE AND
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT. HONBLE
UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY
ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL &C COUNCIL

The humble Petition of Daniel Chardin

Humbly Sheweth.

That whereas your Petitioner having considerable sum̃ of money due to him on the West Coast from Mr. Marshall deceased, and Mr. Lapie who wrott him for orders how he should remitt it, upon which in January last your Petitioner Addresd himself to the Honble Governour &c for leave to pay it there into the Companys Cash, and take Bills of Exchange for Payment on your Honr &c here, which you were pleased to grant, and promissed to write in your next Generall Letter thither to signifie the same, upon which Faith, I ordered my Correspondent to do it, who accordingly by the first Ship remitts me my money by Bill on you, drawn by the Governour and Council of York fort for Dollars Five thousand twenty three and advised me they made not the least scruple to receive my money into the Honble Companys Cash, and give their Bills for that the Honble President and Council here had wrott them in their Generall a particular order about it, that what should be pay'd on my account you would see Honourable discharged, now some time after those Gentlemen being under a necessity for money having had none from the Honble Company in two years, and hearing that the Edward and Dudley being lost bound thither, [made]

them wholy dispaire of any supply for a year longer so to preserve from utter ruin the Companys settlement were obliged to take up considerable sums of money and gave Bills for the same which amounting to so large a sum, and as your Hon^r. &c sayes the Company forbids your payment of them was the reason of your non acceptance but desire your Hon^r. &c would be pleased to consider [the] nature of my case, being quite forreign to any of the [rest] for my money was pay'd in by the assurance you gave me, and confirmed it under your hands in a Generall Letter which I took to be so secure that should have pay'd five times that sum, and thought it not inferior to a Bond under your hands and the Company's seale, and since you have refused payment amongst the rest ye many Bills presented and are Protested, without the least Examining into the hardness of my Case. I desire you will informe me of whom must I have redress, my Correspondent is now no wayes answerable having comply'd with my orders which is his Warrant, I need not enumerate to you the many other good reasons have to urge in this affair, but wholy relying on your Hon^rs &c justice shall be no farther troublesome therein, not doubting your Honourable satisfying my Bill for which

As in Duty bound shall ever Pray &c.

OCTOBER WEDNESDAY 1st.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.

MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.

ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

RICHARD HUNT.

The Governour acquaints the Council that he observes the New Governour of S. Thoma is weary of our Mobb and seems to endeavour what he can to perswade them to returne, and yesterday our people going in hopes to have brought them back, they then insisted upon signing a Paper amongst themselves, and that those we sent should joine with them, which they refused telling them they would not do it, without the Governours leave, the purport of which paper is that they may have leave to Rebell when they please, the Translate of it as Entered after this Consultation, so upon our showing a detestation and abhorrance to give leave to their signing such a Paper 'twas lade asyde, and as the Governour is creadible informed that that Paper as also all others we have rec^d. during these troubles from the Right hand Cast, were drawn up and framed by that notorious miscreant Timapau, a fellow adapted to all manner of villiany and alwayes a great favouret and Privy Counsellour of M^r. Fraser and a companion of his Cheif Dubash.

The heads of the Casts and Mobb which deserted us having accepted of our Pardon the 22^d last month, and still every day starting new demands, and refuse to returne, we unanimously agreed this day to send to them our Mulla and Braminy to demand of them their finall answere whether they would returne upon our Pardon or not, and if not, to demand it of them.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

2^d. The Mulla and Braminy returning last night from S^t. Thoma, acquainted us according to our order they had demanded our Pardon given our Inhabitant [y^t.] are

fled there, who have refused to returne it, promiseing that they would come back to day, but that it was not a good day, but to morrow or next day they would not faile, if those of their Cast here came to meet them.

All the Inhabitants of the R^t. Hand Cast of Chinapatam have entered into an Agreement in the presence of the right hand Cast of the Country Viz^t.

WHEREAS the Left hand Cast have broke the Sallabad[1] by erecting stones in our streets upon which we desert'd the place, and are come hither, since which the Govern^r. and Council have taken away the stones, and give us their Cowle that all shall be again settled, and goe according to Sallabad, which we will unanimously endeavour to maintain, and notwithstanding should the Governour Act contrary to his Cowle, or that the Left hand Cast should take upon them more then their Duty, we jointly agree to stand by one another for the saving our Credit and whoever of us Act contrary to which herein mentioned shall be turned out of the Cast, and the iniquities shall light upon them as befalls such who sacrifice a Cow, Woman Braminy, and their mother before the River Ganges, dated October 1st 1707.

Ship Mary M^r. Barrow Com^r saild for Bengall. 4th.
The Callicutta Sloop Collins Master sailed for Ditto.

Ship Hopewell Capt Sandys Com^r. sailed for Bengall by whom sent a Packet for the United Council there. 5th.

The Freindship M^r. Oliver Com^r sailed for Bengall.
This evening about sevenaClock the Governour of S^t. Thoma being a Gentue, and of the same Cast that deserted us, came with our people that went hence this morning and brought back all the deserters, the heads appeared before the Governour and were dismissed to their habitations with assurance that their Pardon should be kept inviolable. 4th.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT. MONDAY 6TH.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Muttombee the Governour of S^t. Thoma having to all appearance taken a great deal of paines to effect the returning of those that deserted, 'tis therefore agreed that the following Present be made him, the Account of which in a seasonable time to be pay'd the Company by the Right hand Cast.

Scarlet 1 peice. Aurora 1 peice. Ordinary Red 1 peice. Green 1 peice. Looking Glasses. Swords 4. 1 pair Pistols. 6 pair Spectacles. Knives and Penknives. 1 ^pc of searge.

The Deserters or Rebells returning the 4th at night who for some time refused to accept of our Pardon, [on] any proposalls, but what should be made by M^r. Fraser as by our Consultation 16th September for which reasons therein he was confin'd, after which they never soe much as mentioned his name, so that none can beleive but that they moved by his direction, but being returned again, agreed that his confinement be taken off and he sett at liberty, when the Captain of the Guard was sent for, and the Governour acquainted him therewith.

M^r. John Maxwell having lately marryed M^rs. Sinclare Daughter, whom he has inhumanly and barborously treated of which the whole Town Rings, and severall complaints having been made to the Governour thereof, & this morning he received a letter from his wife who beggs protection, or she must some way or other end her dayes by her own meanes, which Letter the Governour producing in Councill 'twas

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[1] Customary or prescriptive exactions of the native Governments, *Hobson-Jobson*, page 786.

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agreed to send for the Ministers, M^r^. Lewis, M^r^. Wendy, and M^r^. Landon to consult with them what was proper to be done in this case, who when they came confirmed to us the ill reports of M^r^. Maxwell, and the barbarity he used to his wife as mentioned in her Letter, upon which we sent for him, who pretended sickness to excuse his coming, so sent to him M^r^. Raworth & M^r^. Wendy to represent to him the hainousness of his Crime, and to tell him that the Governour and Council ordered them to make the following proposition. First That they might be [by] consent under their hands seperated for ever. Secondly that they might be seperated for three or four Years. Thirdly that if agreed to neither of the two foregoing propositions that he should give unquestionable security for his good behaviour. The last he agreed to, and promissed he would execute it so soon as he could goe abr[oad] to get such security, upon which 'twas unanimously agreed that M^rs^. Sinclare and her Daughter should goe and reside at M^r^. Glovers House (where M^r^. Maxwell is not to goe or molest them there) till that he makes his personall appearance before the Governour and Council that soe such wayes [and] meanes might be taken as to prevent his murthering his wife and this our Resolution we order the Secretary to acquaint M^r^. Maxwell,' M^rs^. Sinclare and her Daughter with.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

7. Ship Francis Captain Every Com^r^ sailed for Bengall.
8. Resolution Capt. Hart arrived here from Fort S^t^. David.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 9TH.

THOMAS PIT ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr President reads his Account Cash for the month of September last Ballance being Pagod^s^ 2743: 30: 3.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^t^. David dated 6th Instant now read, advising their having drawn a Bill of Exchange on us for one thousand Pagodas payable to Captain Plumb; Agreed the same be discharged.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper unloads the 130 Bales of Calicoes now come on Ship Resolution from Fort S^t^. David reserving Ten Bales of Blew Cloth to be traversed on board the Anne for the West Coast, and that what Browne Cloth is to come the Warehousekeeper forthwith to send it to washing.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper Loads on board the Anne for the West Coast Seventy Bales of White Longcloth to be all N°. 3 and that the Storekeeper sends on her Forty Barrells of Gunpowder, and that every thing Ordered to be provided by the Paymaster be sent on board, with 500 Gunny baggs.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. MONDAY 13TH
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Paymasters Acco^t^. for the month of September last vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pa.	1177 :	3 :	—
Charges Dyett and allowances		225 :	13 :	—
Stores		45 :	20 :	—
Charges Cattle		22 :	10 :	—
Charges Extraordinary		78 :	27 :	—
Charges Generall		264 :	4 :	—
Fortification and repairs		10 :	9 :	—
Maddapollam Yatch		33 :	35 :	—
	Pa.	1857 :	13 :	—

Agreed that One Thousand Pagodas be advanced him towards defraying Charges Garrison.

Ordered that what of the Stores for the West Coast the Anne can't take in, that they be Loaded on Ship Resolution bound to the same Port.

Ordered that Twenty Topaz Souldiers be sent to the West Coast on Ship Anne, and that they have leave to carry their Wives and Children with them, and the Steward to lay in Provisions for them accordingly, and the Paymast^r^. to advance the men Three months pay, and for their passage the Company to pay according to Custom.

Generall Letter to the R^t^ Honble Managers dated the 10th Instant now read and approved.

Ordered that the Accomptant drawes out the Accouut of halfe a yeares salary ending 29th past month, due to the R^t^. Honble. Companys Servants of this Place.

Ordered that John Ogell be Entertained one of the Gun^rs^ Crew in this Garrison.

THO : PITT.
M : EMPSON.
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. MONDAY 20TH
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

The Washermen that deserted upon the late dispute between their Casts, who on their returne freely declared that they were forced away by the heads of their Cast, who had combined with the Belljawarr, besides they complained of great injustices that they had received from the heads of their Cast, and desired they may have other four heads [but] they would not only pay [them] the Washers pay [&ca]

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but allso sign a Paper that they would not desert again on any pretence whatever, upon which they presented Four Heads of their own choosing, which we approved of and Tashereeft[1] them, when the whole Body also signed a Paper, which is as Entered after this Consultation.

Agreed that we advance the Washers Five hundred Pagod^s^. Two hundred Pagodas in Paddy out of the Warehouse at eighteen Mercall for a Pagoda, and T[h]ree hundred Pagod^s^. in money.

To prevent the inconveniency that attends ye Boatmen running away as lately, 'tis Agreed that we build Twelve Boats for the Companys Account, and in the time that they are a building, we procure such People to man them as have no dependance on the Right hand Cast. Ordered that the Paymaster forthwith gets materialls to doe it [&] build the Boats with all expedition.

One Torrmull residing in the Nabob's camp, having been serviseable to us, by advising of all that past in the Government, and now the Nabob being about to march farther into the Country, he has advised the Governour that he can't goe with him unless he will furnish him with a Horse, so considering all this time 'tis of great importance to us to have a true Account of the Newes from Dehli and Vizapoore and the motions of all the Armys, Tis therefore agreed we give him an Atcheen Horse to accompany the Nabob in his marches, and that he be forthwith sent.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^t^. David dated 17th Instant now read.

M^r^. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of September last, and payes into the R^t^ Honble United Companys Cash one thousand Pagod^s^. on Account Goods sold out of the Warehouse.

M^r^. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of September last Viz^t^.

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported	Pags	864 :	10 :	24
Custom on Grain		69 :	33 :	60
Anchorage		63 :	—	—
	Pags.	997 :	8	4

Agreed Five Hundred Pagodas be advanced M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Collaway and Vinkettee Chittee were this day before us to agree the Prizes of such Goods as omitted to be done before the late troubles, which is deferred till to morrow.

Ordered that Robert Whiteall be Entertained one of the Gunners Crew in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
[*Lacuna.*]
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

WHEREAS Paulo, Ragga, Andee and Grua (who we the Washermen Inhabitants of the City of Madras, some time since approved as Chiefs or Heads of our Cast,) did in the late troubles compell us to desert the Place, contrary to our will and inclinations; combineing with diverse others of the Belljawarr cast to drive us from our Homes, and terrefye us from following our occupation, besides many other greivances which we have for a long time groan'd under to our irreperable loss and detriment. We the Washermen aforesaid for the preventing the like evills for ye future and for the establishing a settled and easy method amongst us, doe from

[1] From tashrif, 'honouring'. Hobson-Jobson, p. 902.

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henceforth and for ever disown the aforesaid Paulo, Ragga, Andee, and Grua, being our heads or chiefs, or having any right or authority over us, and we do Solemnly declare that we will for the future, accept or allow of noe heads or Chiefs amongst us, either in this City of Madrass, or any other place of the Mogulls Dominions, other then the Honble the Govr. and Council of Fort S^t^. George, or such, whom they shall from time to time appoint to supervise us, and we doe further Protest and declare, that we will not desert or forsake this place, without the Governour or Governour and Councils Licence, and for the strengthening this our ffree declaration we have hereunto set our hands in Fort S^t^. George this 20th day of October one thousand seven Hundred and Seven.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. — TUESDAY 21ST.

MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.

ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

RICHARD HUNT.

The Officer at Bridggate bringing in this morning to the Governour a Cajan Letter that he found hung upon a Post near the Gate, which when Translated seemed to be from a body of the Right hand Cast, the purport of which being to disown the Villainy that had been done in the name of their Cast, and chargeing the contrivers of it to be Narrain, Surapau, Timapau, Sunca Ramma, and Andee Chittee, upon which we sent for the Five persons before mentioned to whom our Braminy read the Letter, which as we expected they disowned knowing any thing of it; so we Agreed that they five should go to the Pagoda with our Braminy, and then send for the heads of all their Casts, to whom they should read the Letter and find out if possible the truth and Auther of it, but in the evening the ffive Persons wth the Braminy returned and acquainted the Govern^r^ that they had all been at the Pagoda (as ordered this morning in Counsell) where the Letter was read to their Cast, who disowned they knew any thing of it.

This day we Agreed with Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees for the Following Goods and Prizes Viz^t^.

Peices

2000 LONG CLOTH FINE Long 72^co^ Broad $2\frac{1}{4}$^co^ Two thousand Peices.

N°. 1 at Pagod^s^. 60 ₩ Corge.
2 ... 55 ₩ Ditto.
3 ... 50 ₩ Ditto.

3000 ORANGALL BETTEELAES LON 32^co^ Broad 2^co^ Three Thousand Pc^s^.

N°. 1 at Pag^s^. 60 ₩ Corge.
2 ... 55 ₩ Ditto.
3 ... 50 ₩ Ditto.

THO: PITT.
M.: EMPSON.
[*Lacuna*]
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 22.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

RICHARD HUNT.

M^r. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper payes into the R^t Honble United Companys Cash Two thousand Pagodas on Account Goods sold out of the Warehouse.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sends to dying Blew Two thousand Peices of Long Cloth ordinary.

Agreed this day with Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees for the ffollowing Goods Viz^t.

Peices.
2,000. GINGHAMS SMALL Long 16^co. Br^d. 2^co Two thousand Peices.
N^o: 1. at Pagod^s. 24 ℔ Corge.
2. . . . 22 ℔ Ditto.
600. DITTO LARGE Long 40^co. Broad 3^co: six hundred Peices.
N°. 1. at Pagod^s. 50 ℔ Corge.
2. at . . 45 ℔ Ditto.

This morning were brought in Four Papers that were fixed on the outside of the Bastions of the Inward Fort, the purport of which being full of the most opprobious Language against the Governour chargeing him to be the Auther of the Cajan Letter read yesterday; The Authers of which are doubtless the Five Persons Narrain etc., who we in our conciencys beleive were the sole contrivers of the late Rebellion, and are not a little [restless] in fearing that that Villainy will in a little time be proved upon them.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
[*Lacuna*]
THO: FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 23RD.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.

RICHARD HUNT.

This day we agreed with Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees for the ffollowing Goods Viz^t.

Peices.
2,000. SALLAMPORES FINE Lo: 30^co br^d. $2\frac{1}{8}$^co Two thousand Peices.
N°. 1. at Pagod^s. 29 ℔ Corge.
2. . . . . . 27 ℔ Ditto.
3. . . . . . 25 ℔ Ditto.

1,000. NECKCLOTHS Lo : 32. Br^{d}. $1\frac{1}{2}$^{co}. 10 in a Peice. One Thousand Peices.
N°. 1 at Pagods^{s}. 20 ℔ Corge.
2 . . . . . $18\frac{1}{2}$ ℔ Ditto.

Ponagetto Narso etc., Tobacco and Beetle Farmers payes into Ca[sh] Five hundred eighty three Pag^{s} 12. fan^{s} on that Account.

THO : PITT.
M : EMPSON.
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Greyhound Briggantine sailed for Madagascar. 26.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. THURSDAY 30TH.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of September last, and payes into the Honble Comp^{as} Cash Two hundred sixty nine Pagod^{s}. Account Gold coined, & Ten thousand five hundred eighty seven Rupees 12 ann^{s} Account Silver coined, being the Ballance of the months of July, August and September Account, which could not be collected in before, by reason of the hurry that was in the Mint, and that the greatest part of it remain'd in the Durt.

The President payes into Cash the sum of Eighty six Pag^{s} fourteen fanams for the Present made Mootombee for endeavouring to compose the difference about the Cast, as Agreed in Consultation the 6th Instant.

Ordered that the Paymaster and Gunner enquire and see what Gardens have been made here, within the Comp^{as} Bounds, since the present Governours arrivall, and represent the same to this Board.

The Governour produces Paper in the Gentue Language signed by President Baker, Agent Greenhill, & M^{r}. Gourly dated in the year 1652 for composing differences among the Right and Left hand Casts, which he had from the latter and doubtless the other had the same, by which it appears that the Governour and Council now acted as they did then, the Translate of which is as Entered after this Consultation.

M^{r}. William Martin Sea Customer pays into the Comp^{as} Cash One Thousand Pagod^{s}. on Acco^{t}. Sea Customs.

This day the Left Hand Cast appeared in a Body and delivered in a Petition, which being in the Gentue Language we could give them noe answere then that wch. it was Translated we should send for them, and to talk of the purport thereof.

THO : PITT.
M : EMPSON.
[*Lacuna.*]
ROB^{T}. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

In Fort S^{t}. George belonging to the R^{t} Honble English Comp^{a} before the Honble President Baker, Agent Greenhill and M^{r}. Gurney were present, Connaree Chittee, and Sheshadree Naigue Inhabitants of Chinapatam. There having of late been

severall Differences and Disputes between the Casts about their Streets, which this day is settled, and in case it be not observed by each Cast in regard to their Weddings and Burialls, the first breaker of it shall forfeit a thousand Dollers.

The Right Hand Cast are to reside in the particular streets appointed for 'em where are to live or come none of the Left hand Cast, and the same with the Left hand Cast, where are to be none of the Right hand Cast.

The great street from before the Fort as far as Taggapau Chittees Garden, and all the streets to the Westward of that Street are allotted to the Right hand Cast, and the Great street from Mr. Porters, reaching to Mally Carjuns old Pago. with the new street (being two street) are allotted to the Left hand Cast.

The market street opposite to the Choultry as farr as the Qommittees Shops is appointed to the Right hand Cast and as far as the Chittees Shops in the same street to the Left hand Cast, where either Cast may pass with their weddings or Burialls, and if either of the Casts act contrary to this Agreement, shall pay one thousand Dollars.

The Pattnawarrs and Cariallwarrs are to pass with their weddings and Burialls from the back syde of Mr. Porters House to the middle of the Quarter Porters house and soe to proceed to the Portuguez Church, they may likewise goe thrô the great street.

Before the Fort is free for all.

Sheshadree Chittee as madiator to each Cast his servants nor the Company's Servants and Painters cannot pass these streets Dated November the 5th : 1652.

Connaree Chittee.
Seshadree Naigue.

Signed by

Aaron Baker.
Henry Greenhill.
William Gurney.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 6th.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Governour & Presidt.
Matthew Empson. [*Lacuna.*]
Robert Raworth. Thomas Frederick.
Richard Hunt.

The Governour being jealous that the Interpreters about him did not act honestly in the late troubles between the two Casts, recommends the Entertaining of Rammapau Braminy, who was formerly Cheif Dubash, which Emp[loy] he lay'd down of himself to be one of the Merchants, which he likewise left some time after, and [he] since lived retired, soe promiseing to be faithfull to the Company and their Interest, tis agreed that he be Entertained Cheif Dubash, at his former salary of Twelve Pagods. and a halfe ℘ mensem.

There being on the Ballance of the Generall Bookes a small Debt due from Mr. Raworth when he was storekeepr and Land Customer, which the Governour now demands of him, which he sayes he cleared at his laying down those Employes, which the Accomptant Mr. Hunt ownes, and sayes shall be rectifyed in next Bookes.

Mr. Thomas Faucett who was received again into the Companys service the first of September last having given security, Tis now agreed he commences Junior Merchant from that time at 30 £ ℘ annum.

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This day the Translate of the Left hand Petition was read where a great number of them appeared, the purport of wch. complains chiefly of the affront offered them by the Right hand Cast, praying Justice for the same, or that otherwise we would permitt them to goe away at six months end, they prest very hard for an answere thereto, to which they were told we would consider and give them our answere next Consultation day, and the Petition is as Entered after this Consultation.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the Rt. Honble. Companys Cash for the month of October last Ballce being Pagods. 4882 : 28.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster payes into Cash One hundred Pagods. account Quoinbe Meddee &c. Brickmakrs.

Mr. Hiller payes into Cash Thirty nine Pagods. 5f : 2cs. as the Ballance of his Account in the Generall Bookes.

Agreed to write off the Town Broakers Account to Profit and Loss.

Mr. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of September last, and payes into Cash Four hundred Pagods. on Accot Stores sold.

Agreed the Accompt of the salary due to the Rt. Honble. Companys servants of this place be pay'd amounting to Pags. 1451 : 23 : 4.

THO : PITT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Ship Annapurna formerly the St. George arrived in this road having lost her 7.
passage for Rackan.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS PITT ESQR.
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT.
HONBLE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPA.
ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL &
GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE &C
COUNCIL.

The humble Petition of the Inhabitants of the Left hand Cast of Chinapatam.

Most humbly Sheweth,

That as your Petitioners were making a wedding in the Peddenaigues Patta, the Right hand Cast at midnight came in a body, surrounded the Wedding house, untiled it, broke open the Door, and at the same time forced themselves thrô the Topp, and the Bridegroome and some others, whom after they had unmercifully beat, and committed severall other insolencys retired ; the next day your Petitioners laid the same before you in Counsell, when the Right hand Cast was sent for, and the occasion of these disturbances inquired into, the Ringleaders were found out and punish'd this gave your Petitioners an opportunity to acquaint you of the continuall Quarrells that ever happen'd between the Casts at their making any Weddings, which induced your Honr. &c to require of the Right hand Casts, whether they had two streets in the Black Town and two more in the Muttella Patta, thrô which they were used to pass with their Weddings ; to which replyed they had, upon which you were pleased to acquaint ym of the reasonableness of Granting another street to the Left hand Cast in the Peddeneagues Patta where they already had one, in which both Casts lived, with [wch.] they seemed readily to comply in so much that each Cast was Chosen, Surapau and Narrain for [the Rt.] hand, and Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees for the Left [hand] one of the Council and Gunner to survey the streets were ordered to report to your Honour &c which would be the properest to be appropriated to the use of the Left [hand] Cast, in order thereto a draught was taken of them, [and] lay'd before your Honour &c, Council, when was prese[nt]

Six Persons beforementioned, who reported what [streets] were pitched on for your Petitioners Cast, when both being asked if they were contented therewith, they u[nani]mously declared they were, soe to settle these disturbances on such a sure Bottome that they might not again [fall] out, your Honr. &c ordered Four stones to be Erected, [on] the Corner of each street, with English inscriptions, [and] Companys chop on them, which was executed by the [said] Persons appointed for this purpose.

Sometime after this your Honr. &c. gave notice by Pap[ers] fixed for that purpose on the four Gates, and that the Compa. Broadcloth was to be put up to publick sale, and that any Persons were at Liberty to make their proposalls of buying to the Governour and Council in Consultation Roome, the day appointed being come, both Casts mett there, when the Right hand Cast bid as much as they thought convenient to give, but your Petitioners exceeding 'em in their price, they [were] the purchasers, upon which the Right hand Cast applyed themselves to 'em to come in for a Proportion which was Granted.

Next followed the Companys Investment about which both Casts were summoned before your Honr. &c severall times, and each having made their proposalls it passed in favour of your Petitioners when one of the right hand Cast was ordered to come in with them, but he refused it, notwithstanding he had share of the Investment at Metchlepm. and Cuddaloor.

The Right hand Cast now perceiving all their measures to be broke, did begin to put Notions in the heads of some of their people, that they had great Injustice done 'em, by having their two streets in the Peddeneagues Patta taken from them, which deprived them of their Ancient Libertyes & made them come to the following Resolution.

Resolved that since the Left hand Cast had so much Interest as to get the Investment from the Right hand Cast, that the latter should send away the Washers, Boatmen &c., Handicrafts, and that there onely should remaine here some of the heads to discourse the Governour &c The Deserters were ordered to hinder all manner of Goods, and Provissions coming into Town, by which meanes your Petitioners were robbed of them; They rose up in Armes with Drums and Trumpets and forced from your Petitioners people sum's of money with Letters as they were bringing it hither to them out of the Countrey; They bribed the Junckan mettas [1] both at Millapore and Pullamullee, which much increased the disturbance to this Place, of these and all other their Transactions yor. Petitioners acquainted your Honour &c of, as they came to their knowledge, and their insolencys were grown to such a pitch, that your Honour &c. were obliged to send eighty souldiers with Peons to Triblicane, Egmore & Tandore, to put a stop to them.

The Design of the Right hand Cast was no other then to impede the dispatch ef the Companys Ship for England expecting there was not a sufficiency of Goods in ye Godownes to Load on them, which they thought would occasion the Comps displeasure against the Governour and Council, and utter ruine to the Left hand Cast, as soon as it could come to their knowledge, and this was their sole aime.

The Governour deliberating upon this, chose twelve of each Cast, locked 'em up in the Consultation Roome, till such times as they had adjusted matters between themselves, wch having concluded on, they represented it to the Governour and [it] was, That the Peddenaigues Petta was allotted to the Right hand Cast, and the Muttella Patta to the Left hand Cast, upon this a Consultation was summoned at Five a Clock the Govr. refusing to give his opinion of it without his Council, notwithstanding the Right hand Cast persisted to have it settled in this method, at the setting of the Council the 24 Persons were called in, who as before said, acquainted the Board of matters being accommodated between them in the manner beforementioned, which was repeated and agreed toe, three severall times during the while of their being lock'd together in the Consultation Roome; and soe Entered in the Consultation Booke, Rose water given, and the Casts dispatched, and that same night the stones by unknown Hands were stolen away.

1 Collectors of Customs.

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Tis under your Hon[rs]. &c umbrage and Protection that your Petitioners have hitherto enjoyed a peaceable and quiet Life, and Traded with what Goods bought of the Honble. Company to all Parts of India, soe to enable 'em to goe thrô their Affairs and comply with their Contracts, and the great advantages that arrises annually to the Honble. Company by your Petitioners Trading is soon to be seen by the Customes they pay for Importation & Exportation.

The four Casts of your Petitioners contributed one halfe towards the Tax of the Town Wall, and the other halfe was in a manner raised, by the Moors, Armenians, Braminys, Guzaratts, and Conicoplyes, who are an indifferent people, and the small matter which remained unp[d] was filled up by the R[t]. Hand Cast.

All the handicrafts of the Mint are your Petitioners Cast, which was your Honour &c is well sensible brings no small income yearly to the Company.

Your Petitioners having thus farr laid before you the services, which they are capable of rendering the Comp[a]. occasions this their humble request to your Hon.[r] &c w[ch]. is that the Agreement between the two Casts as Entered in the Consultation Booke may be complyed with [viz.[t]], The Peddeneagues Petta to be given to the Right hand Cast, and the Muttella Petta to your Petitioners, which being concluded on with the unanimous consent of each Cast your Petitioners cannot doubt but that it [would] meet with it's wished for effect, it being the onely method that can be taken to restore all againe to its former Tranquillity, and is impossible to be effected without it, for whenever your Petitioners perceive that they are disrespected, they will not carry long there, & whereas the Right hand Cast have soe lately taken up Arms against the Company 'tis reasonable to beleive they doe the same against your Petitioners.

Narrain in presence of the Governour cautioned your Petitioners to be carefull of themselves for that there was a Design laid to cutt off two or three of the heads of their Cast by the Deserters at Milapore, which required their due consideration and obliged them to give notice to their Casts at Pollicatt, Sadrassapatam, Polli-[cherry] Conimeer, Tevenapatnam, Trincombar, Negapatam [&c] Sea Ports, of the fallings out and Disputes of the Casts, with all requiring their advice what methods they should take, whether they should leave this place, and goe to them, or continue here if the former they desire their Casts to request leave of the Governour of said place for their coming over and residing with them, in their proper Employes and stations as was customary to their Casts, all which was affected by your Petitioners Casts in those places, who doe now frequently importune your Petitioners by Letters to relinquish y[s] place, and to come to them.

Your Petitioners Casts have had severall meetings and have at last obliged themselves by Oath to adjust Accounts with every one, dispose of their Houses w[ch]. are about Two thousand, to goe thro' which they allow themselves six months time, and in order to effect it designe to give notice thereof by fixing up Papers for that purpose on the four Gates, and then to relinquish the Place, which they will not doe in the same manner as the R[t] Hand Cast did, when they run away in the Companys and severall other peoples Debts, but leave it without the least Disturbance or noise.

There has four or five such Troubles happen'd w[th]in these sixty years, and in every one of 'em yo[r] Petition[rs] cause was espoused by all the Governours and Council by whom they were esteemed as their own Children, for which reason shall be very cautious how they committ anything that may lead to the prejudice of the Hon[ble]. Companys Affairs, or give them any trouble whatever and 'tis not long since that both the Right and Left hand Casts gave their Oaths to the Governour and Council, that they would in noewise be instrumentall to a Rebellion which notwithstanding was immediately after violated by the former, shall be sacredly observed by the latter.

The Protection your Petitioners for these sixty year's have received from the Company is now past, so humbly request that your Honour &c for six months only, will be pleased to allow 'em an English Guard during the night, which if not granted,

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and that any unforeseen misfortune happens to your Petitioners, the blame will be laid to your charge by all Europeans in these parts, soe hope their request will meet with a favourable consent.

Narrain has built in your Petitioners street in Muttella Patta ten houses, and at each end Erected stone, with Gentue inscriptions on 'em which your Petitioners tooke to be done by order of your Honr &c.

In the four Papers lately fixed up by the Rt Hand Cast they hint, as if your Petitioners were the worse Cast, representing the Governour in them to be as black as they can possibly make him, saying that he has extorted from 'em all that he could, and was now goeing about to doe the same by your Petitioners Cast who as far as they can call to mind, dureing the Nine years and upwards of his Government could never soe much as learne or know, that the least thing of that nature could be imputed against him, but on the contrary must judge this place to be sensible that for severall before his time, there has not been such a considerable Trade known to be held here, as has since this Govornours time, who has been the sole promoter and incourager of it, not onely to the advantage of the Company[s] Affairs, but likewise to the entire satisfaction of the white as well as black Inhabitants of this Place, we can impute the notorious falsityes raised against him by the Right hand Cast to be nothing but malice and envy, it [is out] of any of their Power to lay four fanams to his [charge] extorted from any one, since his being Governour [there].

Your Petitioners have delivered in Goods to the [company] [at a time to the Amount of 40. or 50,000 Pags. [and] pay'd for the same till four or six months afterw[ards] created a jealousy in the Right hand Cast that you[. . .] bore the sway in the Companys Interest that [. . .] a foot the Report of your Petitioners being [. . . .] which tended noe less then to the ruine of the [company] be pleased to inquire thoroug[hly and] you will soon find out, which of the two [casts is in the right.]

And as in Duty bound [shall ever pray].

Signed by the Inhabitants of Chinapatam.

Cornapau Chittee	Chinandee Chittee	Alla Toroo Pedde [Gengie]
Pedde Tombie Chittee	Yaggapa	Mundala Chittee
Vinkittee Chittee	Mootamarra Maistree	45. Parry Sharam Chittee
Collaway Chittee	25. Gulla Sedia	Maw Lingum
[5.] Nagga Buttodoe	Gulla Zogee	Pollicat Irlappa
Chinna Muttelloe	Chittunsia Boennee Gengie	Mootte Charree
Ragga Chittee	Maualia Gooria	Annapa
Tomoney Chittee	30. Shroff Pedde Tombee Chittee	50. Namassy Whyam
Tenvellapa Chittee	Curra Toroo Nalla Moota Chittee	Andeapa
[10.] Podee Paucome Tombee Chittee	Lingapa	Haryshan
Nalla Chittee	Tella Chittee	Derna
Vinkete Puttee	Maddepa Pauca Tombee Chittee	Pera Lemawn
Anuntia	35. Kitsana	55. Janarr
Collastre	Mawve Lingee Chittee	Poorall Mootun
[15.] Terra Buttodoe	Mootana	Permawndee Chittee
Annama	Vereigo	Chawdee Warrum
Pedde Bangee	Nalla Chittee	Nagga Buttodoe
Petta Muttelloe		
[. . .] oono Gulla Basswaysla	40. Nina Chittee	60. Coora Patty Mutelloo
[20.] [. . .] Radoe	Chinna Wallisaw	Trass Condapa Irapa
[. . .] aggapa	Taggapa Chittee	63. [. . .]

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AT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 10th.

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custome Account for the month of October last Vizt.

Choultry Custom	Pags. 118 : 33 : 65
Rubie Broakers	9 : 7 : 25
Town Broakers	16 : 1 : —
Registring slaves	1 : 12 : —
	Pags. [145] : 18 : 10.

and payes into the Rt Honble United Companys Cash Three hundred Pagodas on Account Land Custom.

Agreed six months Town Conicoplys Duty be pay'd to Manangapau ending ulto October.

Agreed One Thousand Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

THO : PITT.
M. EMPSON.
W. MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 13th.

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR AND PRESIDENT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of October last, and payes into the Rt Honble Companys Cash One hundred forty nine Pags. 27 fa for Custom on Gold coined, and farther payes to the Warehousekeeper 662 : Rups. 12 ans. for Custom on Silver coined.

Agreed Five hundred Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Mr. Guiston Addison, etc., Owners of the Morning Starr having dispatched her for the West Coast, and wanting Kentilage for her tooke in on Freight Two hundred baggs of Salt Petre at the low rate of one Rupee a Bagg but meeting with a storme few dayes after her dispatch from hence, returned again to the Fort with her Salt Petre damaged, and most of her Goods, soe rather then to receive back any of the Petre, and in consideration of the low Freight 'tis agreed that Mr Addison, etc., pay Twelve and a half Pagods. a Candy, and accordingly the Warehousekeeper to make up Accounts with him.

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Our Cash being very low and they pressing very much at Fort S^t. David for money to carry on their Investment 'Tis agreed that we take up Ten thousand Pagodas at Interest for three months at Nine ℔Cent ℔Annum.

THO : PITT.
M : EMPSON.
W : MARTIN.
ROB^T. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

19 Briggantine Endeavour arrived in this road, being bound hence to Vizagapatam but could not fetch it.

24 Ship Pearle arrived from Bengall.

WEDNESDAY 26TH

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. [*Lacuna.*]
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

M^r. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of October last.

M^r. Richard Hunt Storekeeper reads his Storekeepers Account for the month of October last.

M^r. Richard Hunt Rentall Generall reads his Account Quitt Rents for the year 1704 and payes into the R^t. Honble. United Companys Cash six hundred sixty Nine Pagod^s. twenty four fanams on that Account.

M^r. Richard Hunt Scavenger reads his Account for the year ending ultimo September 1706 and payes into Cash one hundred and fourteen Pagod^s. thirty four fanams as the Ballance of that Account.

M^r. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his paymasters Account for the month of October last Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	Pa. 1417 : 3 : —
Charges Dyett and allowances	307 : 3 : 25
Stores	595 : 25 : 55
Charges Generall	371 : 31 : —
Charges Cattle	52 : 10 : —
Charges Extraordinary	31 : 14 : —
Maddapollam Yatch	12 : 4 : —
Fortifications and repairs	91 : 29 : —
Fort S^t. David	15 : — : —
West Coast	1055 : 27 : —
	Pag^s. 3949 : 3 : —

Agreed that Five hundred Pagod^s. be advanced him to defray Charges Garrison.

M^r. Robert Raworth pay'd the 20th Instant into the Honble. United Companys Cash the sum̃ of Four thousand Pagod^s. at Interest at Nine ℔Cent ℔annum payable at the expiration of three months.

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Mr. George Lewis &c Minister and Church Warden payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash the sum of Fifteen hundred Pagods. at Interest on the aforesaid [rate].

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Two thousand Pags. on Account Sea Customs.

Agreed to deliver Collaway and Vinkettee Chittes Twenty one Bales of Broadcloth Vizt. Fifteen Red and Green 5 Aurora and one Scarlet.

The Left hand Cast were this day before us to desire leave to put up Notes on the Gates to give notice of their leaving the place six months hence, that soe they may clear all Accounts with whom ever concerned being according to what requested in a former Petition, to which they were given doubtfull answeres and desired them to consider till next Consultation.

Generall Letter from the Council for the United Affairs in the Bay of Bengall datd. 6 Novr. now [read].

A Letter to the Honble. Managers concerning the Pyrats now read, which is to be signed by the Govr. and Council and all the Inhabitants.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

The 16th Instant all the morning the wind blew very hard from the East, with raine, and a larg sea; the Annapurna formerly the St. George being in the Road parted at an Anchor, and drove ashore afterwards by Triblicane, but in the afternoone the weathersome thing abated, when the Governour was advised yt. Ship Samuel was drove ashore near Annore River when immediatly he dispatched a Serjeant and 12 Souldiers with twenty Peons to secure what came ashore from her, and prevent the Government taking possession.

AT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 27TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNR. & PRESIDENT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. [*Lacuna*].
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Ship Nathaniel Capt. Dennis Comr. arriving this day from Bengall, by whom we received the following Generall Letter which is now read Vizt.

From the Council for the United Affairs there datd 29th Augt. last.

From Ditto dated 13th October.

From the Agent and Council in Ispahaun datd 8th May last.

ffrom the Cheif and Council of Gombroone datd 11th August, brought to Bengall by the little London.

Ordered the Warehousekeeper forthwith unloads all Goods and Stores on boardship Nathaniel from Bengall except her Petre.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
THO: FREDERICK.
ROBT. RAWORTH.

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[DECEMBER] TUESDAY 2.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERN^R^. & PRESIDENT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. W^M^. MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOM^S^. FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

M^r^. Fraser having sent a Letter to the Secretary, directed to the Governour and Council to be opened in Consultation, which accordingly was done, and read, the purport whereof being to demand and require as mentioned therein his Charge.

The Charge against M^r^. Fraser now read, and approved of, and the Secretary ordered to sign, and send it him, and demand his answere thereto to goe in the Companys Packet, Copys of his Letter and charge is as Entered after this Consultation.

Wheatly Garther Marshall dyeing yesterday 'tis agreed that Ephraim Goss succeed him in his Employ.

There being before us this day two Shroffs & two Pallankeen Cooleys the Governour having apprehended them for two Brass Madrass Pagod^s^. he found in the hands of the Cooleys, who say'd they had them of the Shroff, but upon Examination we have great reason to beleive that the Cooleys brought them from the Country, where they had lately been, so discharged the shroff, and to deturr others from bringing any such false Coine amongst us, 'tis agreed that the two Coolys are whipt at a Cart three severall dayes round the Black Town, and turned out of our bounds, and to loose their ears if ever returne.

The Left hand Cast were again this day before us to desire leave to put up Notes on the Gates to give notice that in six months time they design to leave the place, to which they were answered as last Consultation, and desired they would consider farther on it.

Agreed that the Painters are allowed Fifty six Pag^s^ a Corge for the Chints they painted last year, and that the Warehousekeeper forthwith makes up their Accts. and bring it with him next Consultation day.

M^r^. Rich^d^. Hunt Storekeep^r^. payes into Cash six hundred Pagod^s^. on Acco^t^. Stores sold.

Agreed one Thousand Pagod^s^. be advanced M^r^. Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

M^r^. Matthew Empson pay'd in the 28th past month Two thousand Pagod^s^. at Interest, on same termes money taken up before.

The ffollowing Letters read

To the Agent and Council of Persia & Cheif & Council of Gombroone both dated yesterday.

From Vizagapatam dat^d^. p^mo^. November last.

ffrom M^r^. Noden at Metchlepatam dat^d^. 3 Novem^r^.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
W: MARTIN.
THO: FREDERICK.
ROB^T^ [RAWORTH.]

ARTICLES of the Charge of Thomas Pitt Esqr. Govr. of Fort S^t^. George and Messrs. Matthew Empson, Willm. Martin, Robert Raworth, Thomas Frederick, Richd Hunt, of Council, Against M^r^. William Fraser, as the promoter, ffomenter, and Abetter of the late Rebellion Dated in Fort S^t^. George Novem^r^. 28th 1707.

1st. That he the said William Fraser at a Consultation held the 17th of July last, for the considering on the best wayes, and means, to establish the peace and quiet of this City in relation to the Native Inhabitants about settling their street, for their Weddings and festivals did propose the Erecting of four stones, as boundiaries to such streets as were appointed for that purpose, & did earnestly press us to goe in procession to give a sanction thereto.

2dly. That having consented to the regulations aforementioned (as we had great reason to suspect) he betrayed our Councills to the Gentues (commonly distinguish'd by the Right hand Cast) and was an Instrument in drawing up their Petition delivered us the 19th of August, having in a long speech distinctly repeated all the heads of said Petition to the Governour and Council, and that too, just before the said Petition was delivered in, that the said Petition did tend to the subverting the constitution of this Government, and was the immediate cause of the Rebellion that ensued.

3dly. That the Governour having from the foregoing Circumstances and private testimony been confirmed in his opinion that the said William Fraser had betrayed our Councills, and was abetting in the trouble then brought to a head, did at a Consultation held the 22d of August charge him therewith, and that he had framed or seen the said Petition before the delivery thereof, who faintly denyed it, but having nothing to alledge in his defence, only that 'twas a Grand Suppose, upon mature consideration 'twas unanimously agreed to suspend him the Companys service *ex officio et beneficio*, in order to prevent his giving any further information to the Rebells.

4thly. That the Rebells continuing their insolence, by stopping provissions coming to us, and committing many Acts of hostillity upon severall of our Inhabitants and threatening others of their Cast, who would not desert us, also publickly declaring in St. Thoma that the second, i.e. The said Willm. Fraser, was their friend and on their syde, that he would stand by them and Protect them, so that they were not in the least apprehensive of punishment for the crime they had committed, and that they would hearken to no termes, but such as should be proposed by Mr. Fraser, [nor] would they returne to their duty and obedience unless conducted hither by them, the Mobb in a tumultuous manner crying out a ffraser, a ffraser and this being confirmed to the Governour (the Secretary, the Mullah and Braminy being present) by a Moor, a man of sence a stranger and an indifferent person between the dissenting Casts, which information being strengthen'd by several others of the like nature, we thought it highly necessary to confine him to his Lodgings in the ffort under a Guard, as a means to appeas the clamours of the People & prevent the growing mischief, which threaten'd no less then the ruine and distruction of this Place.

5thly. That his Dubash one Jango (a crafty fellow, and for faction one of his Masters stamp) was at the head of the Rebellion here, and a leading man in their Counsells at St. Thoma, and as 'tis generally suggested not without the approbation of his Master, who we have great reason to beleive held intelligence with him.

6thly. That during the heat of the Rebellion to foment the same and bring in others who had not then associated with the deserters here was industriously spread a report that the like troubles were at Fort St. David, and that the Gentues had kill'd and wounded severall of the English officers and Souldiers, which report being false and groundless, and contrived by some disaffected persons the Government, enquiry was made after the Author, who upon due proof was found to be another of Mr. Frasers Dubashes that remained with him in Town, a simple young fellow made use of to spread that report.

7thly. That it is well known by most upon the place as also by what appears upon the Consultation books that he has ever been found a person of a factious and turbulent temper, and thô weak in contriving yet industrious in promoting mischief & confusion of a capacity unfit for any business, or advice, impatient of peace, and only pleased when factions run high, wh[ere]in he has alwayes made one, to the great prejudice of the Companys affairs, as appears by severall cases recorded in the

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Dyarys of the preceding Governours, nor has he less meritted that just Character during the time of our present Governour alwayes herding and sideing with such Persons as are under the frownes of the Government let their crime be ever so black, and at the begining of these troubles 'twas observed he was very intimate with his old acquaintance Timmapa, a proflygate and wicked wretch, but a bird of the same feather, notorious for mischeif, and one of the Cheif contrivers of the Rebellion, by whom he was made use of as a proper tool for compassing his horrid designes, and some time before these troubles broke out, to give a proofe of his restless and contentious spirit; having suggested that there was a difference between the Governour & M^r^. Raworth his Dubashees Nephew one Veragoe was sent to Mr. Raworth to insinnuate to him that he pay'd too great a deference to the Governour, and if he would but joine with M^r^. Fraser, and adhere to his party, they would certainly be able to suppress [y^m^].

8^thly^. That During his being Deputy Govern^r^ at Fort S^t^. David he brought that place into such confusion and distract[ion] in countenancing of ffaction, and causing divisions among the Inhabitants that upon our Governours progress hither he found them all, as well whites as blacks ready to leave the place, having behaved himself so as that he became odious to the People, and a byeword amongst them and the same here.

By order of the Governour and Council.

HEN: DAVENPORT,
Sec^y^.

TO THE HON^BLE^ THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT
S^T^. GEORGE

AND TO .

M^R^. MATTHEW EMPSON, M^R^. WILLIAM MARTIN,
M^R^. ROBERT RAWORTH, M^R^. THOMAS FREDERICK,
M^R^. RICHARD HUNT OF COUNCIL.

S^rs^

On the 22^d^ August last, I was acquaintd by the Secretary that I was suspended *Ex officio et beneficio* of that Place and Station appointed me by the Honble Court of Managers, the reason for such suspention, would be given in a charge the President aud Council, were drawing up against me, to be sent home to the Company, and that a Copy of the same should be delivered me, to answere, but as yet, tho' 'tis above a quarter of a year since that promise was made me, I have received no charge, and have twice wrott to the Secretary to demand the same, who as I have heard was ordered above six weeks ago to send me a Copy of said Consultation of the 22^d^ August last, but I had no other answere from him on the 11th Instant, than that the Governour bid him tell me, he would send me a charge when he thought fit, which I now demand and require, but if the same be delivered me so late, as not to allow me sufficient time before the departure of the Ships, to give an ample answere thereto, I hope the Honble Company and others to whom I desire to clear myself, have more Justice than to esteeme an order of Council, for my suspention, a sufficient and reasonable proofe, for such crimes as I must be thought guilty of to occasion, so severe, unprecedented and illegal a confinement, as I endured, seeing what I now demand is but naturall as well as reasonable Justice, I am with all due respect

FORT S^T^. GEORGE. Yo^r^ Hon^rs^ &c most humble serv^t^.
28TH NOVEMBER 1707. WILLIAM FRASER.

WHEREAS we Pasquall and Joan Heads of the Mucquaws or Boatmen belonging to Maddrass did by the instigation and ill advice of some designing people desert our habitations and employs upon the late difference between the Right and Left hand

Cast, but since returning to our duty we are well informed that whereas we are Christians we belong to neither, and now that the Governour and Council promising that we shall have their protection and all privaledges as Christians, we solemnly promise that we will never hereafter adhere to any Casts of the Gentues, or desert our Employ upon any Acco^t^. whatsoever but will for the future be constant and faithfull to the Honble Company and pay due obedience on all occasions to their Governour or Governour and Council, and to all such as they shall order to direct us in our employ to the performance of which we here set our hands and seals in Fort S^t^. George this 2^d^ Day of December 1707.

AT A CONSULTATION — SATURDAY 6TH.

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.

MATTHEW EMPSON. ROBERT RAWORTH.

THOMAS FREDERICK. RICHARD HUNT.

Fraser this morning sending an impudent and saucy Paper to the Governour and Council, 'twas agreed that should be delivered to the Marshall to be burned under the Gallows, which accordingly was done and a copy of it Entered after this Consultation.

The Governour being informed that the Nathaniel sprung a Leak since she came from Bengall 'Tis agreed that the ffollowing Persons go on board, and inquire into the same, and make their report to this board.

Gunner, Capt. Edwards, Capt. Plumbe, Capt. Boucher.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. President reads his Account of the R^t^. Honble. Companys Cash for the month of November Ballance being Pagod.^s^ 1254 : 22 : 4.

Thomas Pitt Esqr. Mintmaster reads his Mint Account for the month of November last, and payes into the R^t^ Honble Companys Cash one hundred forty Nine Pagod.^s^ Account Custom on Gold coined.

Peter de Pomera &c., Arrac Farmers payes into Cash Four hundred Pagod^s^. on that Account.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sells what Rupees in the Warehouse at Three hundred and forty Rupees for one hundred Pagod.^s^

THO : PITT.
[M : Empson.]
ROB^T^. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Gevernour and Council of Fort S^t^. David dated the 3.^d^ Instant we received this day.

Dispatch ꝑ Tappy's a Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^t^. David dated this day, in answere to theirs of the 3^d^ Instant.

TO THE HON^BLE^. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^.
President and Governour of ffort
S^t^. George.
and to
M^r^. Matthew Empson, M^r^. William Martin,
M^r^. Robert Raworth, M^r^. Thomas Frederick,
M^r^. Richard Huut of Council.

S^rs^

On the 3^d^. Instant there was sent me that Charge so long before promis'd signed in these words Viz.^t^

By order of the Governour and Council.

HEN : DAVENPORT SEC^Y^.

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I sent a Paper to the Secretary desireing that the Charge or rather the accusation might be signed by the Governour and each, and all of the Council, but had no other returns made me then a huffing Note of the Governours dict [ation] wrott by the Secretary.

I do therefore demand and require that the said Charge may be signed by the Governour and each of the Council, I claiming the Right and Priviledge of a free borne subject of her Brittanick Majesty without whome all signing I shall be deprived of the Way[s] and Means and of any redress or reparation for the injurys done me, I waite your effectuall answere that no more time May be Lost. I am with due respect.

Fort S^t^. Gerge
Decemb^r^. 6th 1707.

Your Hon^rs^ &c most humble Servt.
WILL^M^. FRASER.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 9TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^. GOVERNOUR & PRESID^r^.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
Richard Hunt.

M^r^. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of October last Viz^t^.

Custom on Goods Imported & Exported ...	Pag^s^.	1108 : 2 : —
Custom on Graine		107 : 10 : 2
Anchorage		63 : — : —
	Pag^s^. ...	1278 : 12 : 2

and payes into the R^t^. Honble. United Companys Cash Two thousand Pagod^s^. on Acco^t^ Sea Customs.

Messrs Martin and Raworth [read] the Account of the effects sold by them at Outcry belonging to M^r^. Hall late Doct^rs^ Mate of this place and payes into the R^t^. Honble United Companys Cash Sixty [s]ix Pagod^s^. twenty four fanams as the Ballance of that Account.

M^r^. Richard Hunt Accomptant [reads] the Journall Parcells of Accounts for the month of October.

Agreed Five hundred Pagod^s^. be advanced M^r^. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

There being an Order last Consultation day for seven Persons to go on board to inquire and informe themselves whether the Ship Nathaniel was leaky as reported, who accordingly went and their report is as Entered after this Consultation.

Agreed the Ship Nathaniel goes to Fort S^t^. David to take in her Loading of Bales, and that we dispatch her from thence unless the winds presents for her coming hither to joine the Dutchess, and that the Warehousekeep^r^ now loads on her two hundred baggs of Salt Petre and for the use of that Garrison one hundred baggs of wheat, one candy of Bees Wax, six Candy of Ropes.

M^r^. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper now produces the Painters Account Ballance due to them being Pag^s^. 40. Agreed the same be pay'd.

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Agreed a small Present of Rosewater Atchar and Persia fruit be made the Nabob & Duan whe are lately returned to Arcot.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS PITT ESQR.
GOVERNOUR OF FFORT ST. GEORGE &
PRESIDENT FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT.
HONBLE UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA
COMPANY &c COUNCIL.

Honble Sr. &c.

In obedience to your Honrs &c. orders we the Subscribers went on board Ship Nathaniel as we came on board they pump'd the Ship, then we sounded the pump and found five Inches of water, and immediatly turn'd the Glass, then having stay'd six Glasses sounded again, and found five Inches and a halfe of water or thereabouts We are.

Honble Sr. &c.
Yor most humble & obedt
Servts.

FORT ST. GEORGE
8TH DECEMBR 1707.

JOHN BOUCHER,
ROBERT ATKINSON.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 18TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Mr. William Martin Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the month of November last Vizt.

Cusom on Goods Imported & Exported	Pags.	988 : 28 : 1.
Custom on Graine		116 : 34 : 1.
	Pags.	1105 : 26 : 2.

Mr. Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Accot. for the month of November last.

Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster reads his Account of the black Town Wall and works for the months of August, October and November.

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Mr. Thomas Frederick Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the month of November last Vizt.

Choultry Custom	Pags.	66 : 26 : —
Bubie Broakers		111 : 18 : 1.
Town Broakers		14 : 17 : 3.
Grass Cutters		5 : 18 : 3.
Registring Slaves		1 : 4 : —
	Pags.	199 : 12 : 1.

and payes into the Rt. Honble. United Companys Cash Two hundred Pagods. on Account Land Custom.

Ordered that Peter 'Soung ye Tandell and twenty Laskars be sent to Fort St. David on Ship Nathaniel to bring up the Smack and Yatch.

Ordered the Paymaster Muster Ship Nathaniels m[en] and report the same.

General Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated [*Lacuna*] Instant now read.

We having Two thousand Pagods. in Cash and they wanting ffifteen thousand Pagods. to carry on their Investment at Fort St. David, Agreed we take up Thirteen thousand at Interest for a month, and that the same with the Two thousand be sent thither on the Nathaniel.

The Warehousekeeper delivers in an Account of what Dammaged on Ship Nathaniel from Bengall amounts. to Pagods. 45. 11. 40. Agreed the same be delivered to the Comandr. he paying the Warehousekeepr for it.

Addition to the Generall Letter to the Honble Court of Managers now read and approved.

Lettr. to the Honble Court of Directors of the New [Compa] now read and approved.

Agreed Five hundred Pagods. be advanced Mr. Robert Raworth Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Ordered that Daniel Roach one of the Gunners Crew be discharged.

Agreed with Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees for eight Bales of Orangall Bettelas remaining of last Contract Vizt.

No. 1 at Pagods. . . 60 ₱ Corge.
2 . . . . . . 55.
3 . . . . . . 50.

and that the Company be advised thereof for that 5 Bales of the aforementioned Goods went home on the Tankervill which were then Invoiced No. 1 : 55. No. 2 : 50. No. 3 : 45, which price we were in hopes to have brought them to, but finding we cannot, have agreed to take them all at the price beforementioned.

The Following Persons pay into the Honble United Comps Cash the undermentioned sums at Interest for one month at 9 ₱ c.

Mr. George Lewis one Thousand Pagods.

Collaway Chittee Four thousand Pagodas.

Henry Davenport Eight thousand Pagodas.

Agreed that we sent Ship Nathaniel to Fort St. David on the 22d Instant, to take in her Loading of Bales, and to be dispatch'd thence for England.

THO : PITT.
W : MARTIN.
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO : FREDERICK.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT. FRIDAY 19TH.
MATTHEW EMPSON. WILLIAM MARTIN.
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Agreed with Collaway and Vinkettee Chittees for 10 Bales of Orangall Betteelaes, which were brought in on last contract N°: 1 at 55 Pag[s]. ℔ corge N°. 2: at 50 Pag[s]. N°. 3 at 45 and 96 peices remaining agreed to take them in one with another at 40 Pagod[s]. ℔ corge.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
ROB[T]. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]. GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT. MONDAY 22nd.
MATTHEW EMPSON. [*Lacuna*].
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

Ship Dutchess Captain Hugh Raymond Comand[r]. arrived yesterday in this Road from Bengall and Vizagapatam by whom we received a Packet from the Gentlemen of [f] at the former, and one from the Cheif and Council of the latter, both which were now read.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper unloads all the Goods and Stores on board ship Dutchess from Bengall, excepting the Salt Petre and that what Goods are come from Vizagapatam be continued on board except the following Viz[t].

Longcloth Ord[y]. Browne 31 Bales.

Sallampores ord[y]. Browne 4 Ditto.

Betteelaes Browne . . 17 Ditto.

and that the same be immediately sent to washing.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sends on Ship Nathaniel for Fort St. David Six Candy of Ropes, three Chests of Clarret two Ditto white wine.

Ordered that Jn° Callaway a Souldier in this Garrison be discharged.

Agreed that Three hundred Pagod[s] be advanced Ball Gruapa &c. Dyers towards dying Comp[s] Callicoes Blew.

Ordered the Warehousekeeper Loads on the Nathaniel Betteelaes Orangall N°. 1 two Bales N°: 2; two D°. N°. 3 two D°.

Agreed that Four hundred & 10 Pagod[s]. bo advanced Moorte &c. Washers towards curing the R[t]. Hon[ble] Comp[s]. Callicoes.

The Paymaster reports Ship Nathaniel Company to consist of Fifty six men and Boys.

THO: PITT.
W: MARTIN.
THO. FREDERICK. ROB[T]. RAWORTH.

Ship Nathaniel sailed this evening for Fort S[t]. David. 25.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 26TH.

THOMAS PITT ESQR. GOVERNOUR AND PRESIDENT.
MATTHEW EMPSON. [*Lacuna.*]
ROBERT RAWORTH. THOMAS FREDERICK.
RICHARD HUNT.

There having been severall complaints of the exorbitant Fees in the Mayors Court, 'tis agreed that they be reduced, and that the following order be sent him as Entered after this Consultation.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper draw's out a List of what Bales we have to load on the Dutchess, and show it the Commander, that he may call for the [sorts as Meet] with the conveniency of stowidge.

Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated 8th December now read.

Agreed that the President and Council for the old Comps Affairs, have leave to Load on Ship Dutchess one hundred Bales of Goods.

Ponagetto Narso &c., Tobacco & beetle farmers payes into Cash Pags. 533 : 12 on that Account.

Dispatch to the Comandr of Ship Nathaniel now read and signed.

THO: PITT.
[W. MARTIN.]
ROBT. RAWORTH.
THO: FREDERICK.

TO THE WORPLL JEREMIAH HARRISON,
MAYOR AND THE COURT OF ALDERMEN OF
THE CITY OF MADRASS.

Whereas divers complaints have been made to us, of the exorbitant Fees on all causes tryed in your Court, and that they were farr less at the first settling the Corporation, and afterwards augmented in order to contribute towards the building a Town Hall, which Hall has been long since finished, and yet those extravagant Fees continued, which is become a grievance and a burthen to the people, more particularly the Poor who have not wherewith to defray the great charges of said Court. We do therefore upon mature consideration think it highly expedient that the said fees be reduced to their first state, and hereby order the same being for the benefit of the Poor, and generall satisfaction of the Inhabitants. Dated in Fort St. George this 26th day of December 1707.

By Ordr of the Governr & Council.

HEN: DAVENPORT,
Secry.